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AN EARLY START—Nome’s snow dump was open for business a little early this year as the season’s first big snow storm deposited more than a foot of the white stuff.

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SUCCESS—Wayne Walluk chips at his hole in the ice while fishing for saffron cod, or tom cod as it’s locally called, on Tuesday afternoon near Belmont Point.

## NSEDC candidate Smith sues over election results

By Laurie McNicholas

Tim Smith, a candidate in the Oct. 6 election for the Nome seat on the Norton Sound Economic Development Corp. board of directors, filed a complaint against NSEDC and a challenge to the election results on Monday in Superior Court in Nome.

The complaint states that the election of Don Stiles was improper in several respects, and it includes an allegation that Janis Ivanoff, NSEDC’s chief executive officer, called Nome voters on election day to influ-

ence their votes.

Under NSEDC’s current by-laws, the election was open to City of Nome residents and those who vote in Nome for statewide races but do not live within city boundaries. NSEDC’s bylaws also state that a candidate needs more than 40 percent of the vote to win a board seat and that NSEDC will certify the results of the election.

The election results for the NSEDC Nome representative as reported by the City of Nome listed 746 ballots cast, 738 bal-

lots counted and 31 questioned ballots. The questioned ballots were those submitted by voters who were assumed to live outside the city limits of Nome but were qualified to vote in the NSEDC race. Of the 31 questioned ballots, only 23 were deemed valid after being verified by the state elections office in Nome. The eight ballots excluded from the count were submitted by voters who were determined to be living out of the

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## Slush takes the bite out of major storm

By Sandra L. Medearis

Now that most of the snow clogging the streets has gone away in city and state trucks, we have the luxury of taking an academic interest in last week’s sudden appearance of winter wonderland.

Fast and close were key words in weatherman Jerry Steiger’s account of the storm

that had some folks “swimming” in and out of their homes and parking their cars down the block.

“A low pressure center developed quite quickly and close in, to the west of St. Lawrence Island,” Steiger said, explaining why the ground went from no snow to lots of snow in a couple days.

“It then moved east and over the island, over the top of Nome, and then northeast toward Kotzebue and to the interior of the state.”

A big difference between the low pressure over Nome and a high pressure to the east brought a rush of east wind and enough

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## Board of Game denies nearly all Unit 22 proposals

By Tyler Rhodes

Of the 13 proposals concerning the game unit encompassing Nome and the Norton Sound region, only one received the green light from the Alaska Board of Game last weekend.

The remaining dozen were either unanimously shot down or saw no action from the statewide board which met in Nome’s Mini

Convention Center Nov. 13-16.

The sole proposal receiving the board’s blessing will guarantee nonresident hunters 10 percent of the drawing permits issued to hunt mature bull musk ox in Unit 22E. The proposal, as originally submitted by guide Brian Simpson, asked that a nonresident allocation be set at a hard 15 or 20 percent for the area at the

northern end of the Seward Peninsula.

The current regulations allow for up to 10 percent of the permits to be issued to out-of-state hunters without a guarantee that any permits go to nonresidents. The hunt, which has been open to nonresidents since 2006, has had 20 available permits for the last several years. Unit 22 wildlife biologist Tony Gorn said one

or two of those permits have gone to nonresidents each year.

In his reasoning behind the proposal, Simpson argued that residents have multiple opportunities to hunt musk ox in Unit 22E between the permit hunt, a state subsistence hunt and a

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## A new Rep. Foster sworn in

By Tyler Rhodes

In less than a week after being selected by Gov. Sean Parnell to fill his father’s shoes in state government, Nome’s Neal Foster was sworn in by Lt. Gov. Craig Campbell Monday as the newest member of the House of Representatives.

Foster’s swearing in came on the

heels of his confirmation by House Democrats Sunday to serve the remainder of his father’s term. Both events took place in Anchorage. Parnell had traveled to Nome Nov. 10 to announce he had selected Foster for the appointment.

Foster will serve the approximate year left in the late Richard Foster’s

term. The elder Foster had represented western Alaska in the House for 21 years that spanned 11 terms. He died in October of a heart attack suffered during kidney dialysis in Washington state. “It’s been a very eventful last month,” Neal Foster said after being sworn in. “It’s been a very bittersweet moment, but I am very grate-

ful for this opportunity. And I look forward to serving not just the people of our district, but the entire state.”

Foster’s route to the seat first required him to toss his hat in the ring with six other contenders to be evaluated by a committee of Democrats

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Letters

Dear Editor:

Regarding Lisa Murkowski's town hall—How much does the bill weigh? 1,900 pages and no weight? Usually the fear mongers at least give a weight. Especially if I, the middle class, have to carry it around.

Republicans have had control for 30 years in one way or another, and you did nothing then about health-care. I fully expect you will do nothing now or in the future regarding my healthcare. I as a middleclass American, understand; I can expect nothing from the Republicans. I expected nothing from you then when you had power. I got nothing from your dad. I get nothing but grief and heartache from Rep. Young for health care. He was a no vote.

I am content with that philosophy. Although, I am still a voter. I will fight to change this destructive behavior towards our society and in particular the middle class. Here is an example, and it's not unique.

My brother was in his early 20s in Indiana and slipped on ice and broke his back. He worked as a waiter. He had no insurance. After a costly treatment, and a few visits to physical therapy (he couldn't afford to continue) he was cast aside. Nearly a year in bed, his means of

making money stopped. He couldn't walk. Meanwhile he was given a bill for nearly \$250,000. Yes, that's 4 zeros behind that 25.

Guess what happened next? Can you guess, Lisa? Bankruptcy!

I ask you where shall I cast my vote? To someone who wants to halt what might help my family? Your, "fend for ourselves mantra"? Health care that covers the healthy only?

You don't expect to get my vote , do you? I pay more then \$5 a gallon for fuel oil, and we have our own oil fields. We are in a war that shouldn't be happening (I am a Gulf War vet under George the First's reign, by the way) .

From where is your logic coming? It costs \$13,000 a year apiece for health insurance for my wife and me. That does not include deductibles, or caps. Maybe if something catastrophic happens medically we will be able to keep our house. Maybe. Lisa, we need this healthcare bill.

This one is just for us—the middle-class. Especially now when there are so many unemployed. Please vote for it. You can tell your constituents whatever you like. I will help you with an excuse. Please don't make this another power grab for the benefit of the one percent at the expense of the 95 percent.

Thank you for your time.

Jonathon Mason  
Nome, Alaska

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

Editorial

Brings Out the Best

Adversity brings out the good in people. This past week's storm, which fell on the same day 35 years ago, did not pack nearly the wallop as did the notorious Storm of '74. But, oh what a dumping of snow we got. It makes one wonder if the Department of Transportation has connections with the blizzard prognosticator. Is it really coincidence that storms hit in full force on state holidays?

Nome stores and businesses struggled to stay open and health and safety personnel kept emergency services and fire lanes open. The citizens of Nome and the communities of western Alaska know how to put their shoulders to the wheel and arms to the shovels. Stuck vehicles were pulled from ditches, neighbors helped to dig out neighbors, Folks walked with the less-sure-footed and generally were more alert to those who needed an assist. In the aftermath of the storm the City and State snow removal crews were on top of the task. The drivers of snow blowers, loaders and dump trucks must constantly be on the alert for children climbing over snow berms to get to the school bus stop, folks walking in the middle of the street where the snow has been cleared and drunks staggering too close to the wheels of danger.

We made it through the first snow of the season and we can't put off the winter preparedness tasks. Let's get those snow removal obstruction items out of the way, the old snowmachines that don't work, the summertime fun toys, the junker 4-wheelers and other classic Nome treasures out of harm's way. Let's give the kids a talking to about street safety and make sure they wear reflective clothing. It's hard for drivers to see pedestrians in the arctic darkness. Let's plan ahead and be ready so that we can tell old man winter to "Bring it on!"

—N.L.M.—

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A Look at the Past



Courtesy of the Carrie M. McLain Memorial Museum

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Nome Norton Sound Tide Predictions (High & Low Waters) — November 19 - 25, 2009									
Day	Date	Time	Height	Time	Height	Time	Height	Time	Height
Th	11/19	05:09 a.m. LST	1.3H	12:33 p.m. LST	0.0L	07:51 p.m. LST	1.3H		
F	11/20	12:27 a.m. LST	0.9L	05:57 a.m. LST	1.2H	01:20 p.m. LST	0.0L	08:37 p.m. LST	1.3H
Sa	11/21	01:16 a.m. LST	0.9L	06:52 a.m. LST	1.2H	02:10 p.m. LST	0.0L	09:25 p.m. LST	1.2H
Su	11/22	02:08 a.m. LST	0.9L	07:50 a.m. LST	1.2H	03:00 p.m. LST	0.1L	10:14 p.m. LST	1.2H
M	11/23	03:04 a.m. LST	0.9L	08:50 a.m. LST	1.2H	03:49 p.m. LST	0.1L	11:02 p.m. LST	1.2H
Tu	11/24	04:05 a.m. LST	0.9L	09:50 a.m. LST	1.2H	04:35 p.m. LST	0.1L	11:44 p.m. LST	1.2H
W	11/25	05:09 a.m. LST	0.8L	10:50 a.m. LST	1.1H	05:17 p.m. LST	0.2L		

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

Weather Statistics				
<b>Sunrise</b>	11/19/09	10:49 a.m.	<b>High Temp</b>	32° 11/11/09
	11/25/09	11:08 a.m.	<b>Low Temp</b>	-10° 11/17/09
			<b>Peak Wind</b>	52 mph, W, 11/11/09
<b>Sunset</b>	11/19/09	04:44 p.m.	<b>Precip. to Date</b>	13.60"
	11/25/09	04:28 p.m.	<b>Normal</b>	14.99"

Seasonal snow fall total (data collected since 7/1/09): 16.5" Current Snow Cover: 15.0" varies with melting/blowing of snow.

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## LET'S TALK Turkey

State of Alaska news briefs

Compiled by Diana Haecker  
President Obama stops over at Elmendorf

En route to his first presidential overseas trip to Asia, US President Barack Obama landed at Elmendorf Air Force base and addressed the service men and women on November 12. Obama had spent Veteran's Day at the Army base in Fort Hood, Texas to attend a memorial for victims of last week's killings. Air Force One landed at Elmendorf in the afternoon. Obama addressed the Elmendorf soldiers in a short, 15-minute speech, conveying a simple message of gratitude. Obama also pledged to increase the pay, child care and medical support for men and women serving the country. Obama met privately with the family of fallen Anchorage-born soldier Gregory Fleury, who was killed in a helicopter crash in Afghanistan. The President's first visit to Alaska was not well attended by the state's Republican leadership. Governor Sean Parnell said he couldn't be there because he gave a speech at the annual meeting of the Associated General Contractors. Parnell said he hopes to meet the President on his return trip from Asia. US Senator Lisa Murkowski issued a statement welcoming the president to Alaska, but she was on field visits to Kotzebue and Nome. Congressman Don Young stayed in Washington. Air Force One continued on and flew to Japan later that evening.

Parnell makes maintenance priority

At a press conference at the University of Alaska Anchorage last week, Governor Sean Parnell announced a plan to tackle the backlog of deferred maintenance projects for state-owned facilities, thereby putting Alaskan construction workers to work. Parnell said he plans to submit a state capital budget that would include \$100 million for deferred maintenance projects in each of the next five years. The budget will fund repair and renovation projects throughout Alaska for roads, ferries, airports, university buildings and other public facilities. Out of the \$100 million, the University of Alaska would get a chunk of \$37 million to bring its facilities in compliance with building standards and such. Deferred maintenance funding is necessary to preserve the state's significant investment in infrastructure and will mean Alaska's construction industry will have jobs it can depend on, each and every year, said Parnell. Parnell said the announcement at a meeting of the Associated General Contractors kept him from greeting President Barack Obama, who landed Thursday afternoon at Elmendorf Air Force Base on his way to Japan.

Alaska National Guard has new commander

With the appointment of Lt. General Craig Campbell as lieutenant governor in August, the Alaska National Guard and the Alaska state Department of Military and Veteran's Affairs was without a leader. Last week, Governor Sean Parnell named Brigadier General Thomas Katkus adjutant general and acting commissioner of the Dept. of Military Affairs.

Palin's book "Going Rogue" out this week

Former Alaska Governor Sarah Palin launched her writing career with a book that is already a bestseller, "Going Rogue" and was kicking off the national book tour on the Oprah Winfrey show on Monday. The book netted the ex-Governor \$1.5 million in advance payment and is estimated to make her \$5 million. In response to some loose ends left by Palin's rushed exit out of the Governor's office in July, the Alaska Democratic Party launched a website called Say NO to Sarah". A statement by the Alaskan Democrats says that the website was launched in response to former Governor Palin's refusal to provide copies of Palin emails to the public under the state's Public Records Act. Party chairwoman Patti Higgins said that the records would have shed light on government actions and that she was especially concerned when it became apparent that Palin was using not only a government e-mail account, but also a personal email address to conduct government business.



Energy plan in the making

After several House and Senate energy committees have been on the quest to hear what should and shouldn't go in a comprehensive state energy plan, the house special committee on energy held a hearing on November 17 at the 2009 Alaska Municipal League conference. Bill Popp, President & CEO, Anchorage Economic Development Corporation and Chris Rose, Executive Director, Renewable Energy Alaska Project presented a

draft statewide energy policy bill. This bill and an omnibus energy bill is slated to be pre-filed for the 2010 legislative session that begins January 19 in Juneau. On the Senate side, the chairs of the Senate special committee on energy Lesil McGuire (R-Anchorage) and Bill Wielechowski (D-Anchorage) call on all Alaskans to submit comments on their draft state energy policy recommendations. The 50-page recommendations document calls for increased funding for weatherization, more energy efficient power generation, merging Railbelt utilities and providing incentives for more natural gas exploration in Cook Inlet. To submit comments by December 15 go to [www.energy.ak-senate.org](http://www.energy.ak-senate.org)

Royally paid musher position open

The Denali National Park and Preserve has a job opening for the one and only federal musher to be employed at the state's most visited National park. Northern District ranger Richard Moore said the position entails caring for the kennel of 31 sled dogs, patrolling the park by dog sled in the winter and holding presentations in front of lots of tourists in the summer. The kennel's manager also has to do some administrative work and has to supervise other personnel. And the pay is not bad either, ranging from \$33,477 to \$66,542 plus a 25 percent cost of living adjustment. Moore couldn't say how many applications came in yet, as headquarters in D.C. are dealing with the hiring, but he said the unusual job description made his phone ring nonstop with media inquiries from the entire nation and Canada.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

November 19 - 25, 2009

EVENT	PLACE	TIME
<b>Thursday, November 19</b>		
*Tennis	Nome Rec Center	5:30 a.m. - 7 a.m.
*High School Practice	Pool	6:30 a.m. - 7:30 a.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	7 a.m. - noon
*Preschool Story Hour	Kegoayah Library	10 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.
*Tennis	Nome Rec Center	noon - 2 p.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	1 p.m. - 4 p.m.
*You and Your Baby Lamaze video	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*Wiffleball (3rd - 6th grades)	Nome Rec Center	4 p.m. - 5 p.m.
*Strength Training with Robin	Nome Rec Center	4:15 p.m. - 5:15 p.m.
*Protecting Your Baby Against Hep B video	Prematernal Home	4:30 p.m.
*Lap Swim	Pool	5 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
*Kripalu Yoga with Kelly K.	Nome Rec Center	5:30 p.m. - 6:45 p.m.
*Nome Food Bank	Bering & Seppala	5:30 p.m. - 7 p.m.
*City League Basketball	Nome Rec Center	6 p.m. - 10 p.m.
*Water Aerobics	Pool	6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.
*Thrift Shop	Methodist Church	7 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. ONLY
*Swing Dancing with Seiji	Nome Rec Center	7 p.m. - 8:45 p.m.

Friday, November 20

*Pick-up Basketball	Nome Rec Center	5:30 a.m. - 7 a.m.
*Lap Swim	Pool	6 a.m. - 7:30 a.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	7 a.m. - 10 a.m.
*Tobacco Awareness class	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*Youth Soccer (1st & 2nd grades)	Nome Rec Center	4 p.m. - 5 p.m.
*Comforting Your Fussy Baby video	Prematernal Home	4:30 p.m.
*Youth Soccer (3rd - 5th grades)	Nome Rec Center	5 p.m. - 6 p.m.
<b>BSF Native Arts Auction</b>	<b>Mini-Convention Ctr</b>	<b>5:30 p.m. - 10 p.m.</b>
*Tae Kwon Do with Master Dan	Nome Rec Center	6:45 p.m. - 8:45 p.m.
*AA Meeting	Lutheran Church (rear)	8 p.m.

Saturday, November 21

<b>Unalakleet Native Corporation Annual Meeting</b>	<b>Paneok/Gonangnan Memorial Hall</b>	<b>10 a.m.</b>
*UMW Thrift Shop	Methodist Church	11 a.m. - 1 p.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	noon - 4 p.m.
*Circuit Training with Kelly S.	Nome Rec Center	12:30 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.
*Water Aerobics	Pool	1 p.m. - 2 p.m.
*Prevent Baby Bottle Tooth Decay video	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*Family Swim	Pool	2 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	3:30 p.m. - 8 p.m.
*Open Swim	Pool	3:30 p.m. - 5 p.m.
*Things My Mother Never Told Me video	Prematernal Home	4:30 p.m.
*Lap Swim	Pool	5 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
<b>Ducks Unlimited Fall '09 Banquet</b>	<b>Mini-Convention Ctr</b>	<b>6 p.m.</b>

Sunday, November 22

*Nome Visitor Center	Front Street	9 a.m. - 9 p.m.
*Stages of Labor video	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	2 p.m. - 10 p.m.
*Smoking: A Time To Quit video	Prematernal Home	4:30 p.m.
*Vigorous Yoga with Kelly K.	Nome Rec Center	5 p.m. - 6 p.m.

Monday, November 23

*Pick-up Basketball	Nome Rec Center	5:30 a.m. - 7 a.m.
*Lap Swim	Pool	6 a.m. - 7:30 a.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	7 a.m. - 10 a.m.
*Kindergym	Nome Rec Center	10 a.m. - noon
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	noon - 6 p.m.
*The Essentials of Successful Parenting video	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*Beginning Yoga with Kari	Nome Rec Center	4:15 p.m. - 5:15 p.m.
*Teen Breastfeeding: Why Breastfeed? video	Prematernal Home	4:30 p.m.
*Circuit Training with Kelly S.	Nome Rec Center	5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
*City League Basketball	Nome Rec Center	6 p.m. - 10 p.m.
*Water Aerobics	Pool	6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.
*Tae Kwon Do with Master Dan	Nome Rec Center	6:45 p.m. - 8:45 p.m.
<b>Nome Common Council Work Session Re: Landfill</b>	<b>Council Chambers</b>	<b>7 p.m.</b>
*AA Meeting	Lutheran Church (rear)	8 p.m.

Tuesday, November 24

*Tennis	Nome Rec Center	5:30 a.m. - 7 a.m.
*High School Practice	Pool	6:30 a.m. - 7:30 a.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	7 a.m. - noon
*Preschool Story Hour	Kegoayah Library	10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.
*Tennis	Nome Rec Center	noon - 2 p.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	1 p.m. - 4 p.m.
*Medicad/Denali KidCare class	Prematernal Home	2 p.m.
*Strength Training with Robin	Nome Rec Center	4:15 p.m. - 5:15 p.m.
*We're Having A Baby Again: A Childbirth Refresher video	Prematernal Home	4:30 p.m.
*Lap Swim	Pool	5 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
*Kripalu Yoga with Kelly K.	Nome Rec Center	5:30 p.m. - 6:45 p.m.
*Nome Food Bank	Bering & Seppala	5:30 p.m. - 7 p.m.
*City League Basketball	Nome Rec Center	6 p.m. - 10 p.m.
*Open Swim	Pool	6:30 p.m. - 8 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

Wednesday, November 25

*Pick-up Basketball	Nome Rec Center	5:30 a.m. - 7 a.m.
*Morning Laps	Pool	6 a.m. - 7:30 a.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	7 a.m. - 10 a.m.
*Kindergym	Nome Rec Center	10 a.m. - noon
<b>USDA Foreclosure (see ad p. 12)</b>	<b>Nome Courthouse</b>	<b>10 a.m.</b>
*Rotary Club	Airport Pizza	noon
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	noon - 10 p.m.
*Laura's Story-Programs 123 video	Prematernal Home	2:30 p.m.
*Yelling, Threatening & Putting Down: What to Do Instead video	Prematernal Home	4:30 p.m.
*Step Box with Kelly S.	Nome Rec Center	5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
*Open Climb	Nome Rec Center	6 p.m. - 8 p.m.
*Family Swim	Pool	6:30 p.m. - 8 p.m.
*Tae Kwon Do with Master Dan	Nome Rec Center	6:45 p.m. - 8:45 p.m.
*Hello Central (also on Channel 98)	Nome Visitors Center	7:30 p.m.
*Open Space Yoga	Nome Rec Center	9 p.m. - 10 p.m.

Business hours/long-term community events:

XYZ Center	Center Street	8 a.m. - 4 p.m. (Tu - F)
Nome Visitor Center	Front Street	9 a.m. - 5 p.m. (M - F)
Carrie McLain Memorial Museum	Front Street	noon - 5 p.m. (M - F)
>>>>>>	additional hours by appointment	
Library Hours	Kegoayah Library	noon - 8 p.m. (M - Th)
>>>>>>		noon - 6 p.m. (F - Sa)
Northwest Campus Library	Northwest Campus	2 p.m. - 9 p.m. (M - Th)
>>>>>>		1 p.m. - 5 p.m. (Sa)

Did you eat 5 today?

Fruits and vegetables help fight cancer, heart disease and high blood pressure. Eat five servings a day! Canned and frozen fruits and vegetables are just as good for you as fresh—just rinse off sugary or salty syrups or cream sauces.

Norton Sound Health Corporation



Breakfast menu to include, but not limited to:

- Biscuits
- Cinnamon Rolls
- Hashbrowns
- Biscuits & gravy

Breakfast is served 8 a.m. - 11 a.m. each day

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Wednesday – Turkey

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Whip It (PG-13)  
7 p.m.

This Is It (PG)  
9:30 p.m.

Saturday & Sunday Matinee  
1:30 p.m. & 4 p.m.



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## • Board of Game

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federal subsistence hunt. He also noted that the remote and rugged area prevents fully meeting musk ox quotas. "Many residents who draw a DX097 permit do not hunt the permit when they become aware of the logistical difficulties and expense to access the hunt area," Simpson wrote.

Board members were swayed by the low harvest of available musk ox in the unit as well as earlier testimony that residents of the area wanted to see fewer musk ox. Northern Norton Sound Advisory Committee member Roy Ashenfelter testified Nov. 13 that village residents in the unit would like to see as many musk ox taken as possible. The committee had recommended guaranteeing 20 percent of the permits to nonresidents. "It's an animal that eats the food the residents prefer eating,"

Ashenfelter told the board. "Whatever means you could implement, residents would appreciate."

Of all the opportunities to hunt musk ox in the unit, the northern portion has the most liberal quotas and hunts. The state subsistence hunt—open only to Alaska residents—allows for the taking of 62 musk ox, half of which can be cows. Gorn reported to the board that the annual harvest is generally "in the mid 20s" with fewer than 10 cows among the harvest. He said about 17 of the 20 available musk ox are taken through the permit hunt each year. "We are considerably below allowable harvest," Gorn said.

The hunt also has a long duration, with bull seasons running from Aug. 1 to March 15 and the cow season from Jan. 1 to March 15.

Board of Game Vice Chair Ted Spraker of Soldotna amended the proposal to set the guaranteed

amount at 10 percent. The amendment and then the proposal as a whole passed by a 5-2 vote. Casting "no" votes were board members Ben Grussendorf of Sitka and Teresa Sager Albaugh of Tok.

Noting that only one nonresident received a drawing tag for the 2009 hunt, Grussendorf rhetorically wondered which Alaska resident would have been denied the opportunity to participate in the hunt if a second permit would have had to go to an out-of-state hunter to meet the mandatory 10 percent under the new regulation.

Other commission members, however, had no problem with increasing the opportunity for nonresidents. Board member Bob Bell of Anchorage noted that nonresident hunters provide a significant impact on the Department of Fish and Game's budget through license fees. "My point is, we should quit vilifying [nonresident hunters] so much," he said. "I think this is a very reasonable proposition."

Sager Albaugh said while she appreciates the financial contribution by nonresident hunters, she cau-

tioned just how much effect it should have on board decisions. "It's dangerous ground to suggest that because of that, it's rationale for a specific allocation," she said.

"I disagree," Bell said. "I think it's very important we fund this department. If we call it selling [game animals], well then, let's sell them."

While Alaska resident hunters who fail to be selected for a musk ox drawing permit would still have other opportunities to hunt musk ox in Unit 22E, the drawing hunt differs in that it allows out-of-area hunters (residents or not) to keep the head and horns for their trophy value. Under the subsistence hunts throughout Unit 22, hunters face a couple of trophy destruction requirements depending on where they harvested the animal.

### Musk ox horn rules remain

Loosening up the rules on just how the destruction of those musk ox horns is handled was the thrust of a proposal by Nome resident Mike Quinn.

The proposal failed to pass as the board tabled it and let it die for a lack of action. Ultimately the board asked

Gorn to bring the issue back to what is known as the musk ox cooperators group to flesh out a potential solution to the issue. "I think you've heard enough from us that you have an idea of what we'd like to see," said board chair Cliff Judkins of Wasilla. "I think that's the best approach."

Quinn had proposed that trophy destruction only occur on musk ox horns still attached to a skull that is to be removed from Unit 22. Current regulations call for horn removal from subsistence musk ox with boss horns that are taken from along the road system. For areas outside the road system, trophy destruction is required if the skull is to be removed from the unit. "Right now we basically have two different degrees of trophy destruction on the Seward Peninsula," Gorn said. He noted that the more aggressive measures implemented for the road system are an effort to reduce the number of large bulls being taken.

Last year that destruction was accomplished through the removal of

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**FIELD TRIP**—Alaska Board of Game Chairman Cliff Judkins takes a close-up look at a herd of musk ox just off the Beam Road Nov. 15. Board members and other participants in the regional meeting took a side trip to the country to view one of the animals discussed at length during the three-day meeting in Nome.

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**HORNS AS ART**—Nome artist Karen Olanna testifies before the state board of game Nov. 14 regarding her use of musk ox horns for artwork. Current subsistence hunt rules call for the destruction of horns to reduce the trophy value of the harvested animals. Olanna, who brought examples of her work, was concerned about the ability to get horns due to the rule. A proposal before the board, brought by Mike Quinn who is sitting next to Olanna, to alter the trophy destruction requirement failed to pass.

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the horn tips. This year, the horns are to essentially be cut in half.

Quinn argued that the trophy destruction requirement actually hurts the subsistence value of musk ox for residents who either sell the horns or use them for handicrafts and artwork. "I request you to find that musk ox horns do have subsistence value," Quinn told the board during public testimony Nov. 14. Quinn said he deals in musk ox horns, selling them to knife makers.

Testifying with Quinn was Nome artist Karen Olanna who has used musk ox horns for several pieces of artwork, two of which she brought to the meeting. "I would urge you to look for a more creative way to limit the trophy hunters," she told the board.

Quinn's proposal did not seek to completely curtail the practice of destroying an animal's trophy value to ensure those participating in the hunt are doing so for subsistence purposes. "I'm not here to say trophy destruction has no use in this hunt," Quinn said.

Board members batted the issue back and forth quite a while, suggesting ideas ranging from changing the subsistence hunt to target only young bulls to having Fish and Game collect the horns and auctioning them off at a later time.

The issue of parity also came up. The drawing tags for musk ox in the unit come with a \$500 fee for residents and \$1,100 for nonresidents. Hunters who draw permits for those hunts are permitted to keep the head and horns intact, no matter where they plan to transport it. Board member Lewis Bradley of Palmer argued that it is unfair to have hunters participate in the subsistence hunt and return home with

a trophy by skirting the rules.

Gorn reported that last year's subsistence hunt in Unit 22C was rife with violations, resulting in eight cases pursued by the area's wildlife trooper that netted three convictions. He also noted various schemes to preserve trophy values. "I understood there was basically bootlegging of musk ox horns," he told the board.

Gorn said the issue of trophy destruction has been controversial since its inception. "Consensus can just never be reached on the topic," he told the board.

Nome hunter Matt Culley testified at Friday's meeting that he felt the destruction requirement needed to remain. "I agree with current conditions that we need mandatory trophy destruction," he said. "Meat is most important."

Gorn reported to the board that the more stringent destruction requirements for the hunt areas along Nome's road system were designed to help reduce the harvest of the largest bulls. Gorn said the department has noticed a fast and significant drop in the bull-to-cow ratio in the population along the road system. "So the area most accessible from Nome, in response to declining bull-cow ratios, we felt that we needed to try to develop some type of mechanism to discourage the consistent harvesting of mature bulls."

Gorn reported that from 2001 to 2005, when musk ox hunting in Unit 22C near Nome was under the most restrictive Tier I system, there were more than 70 mature bulls per 100 cows. He said that number has dropped to nearly 30 mature bulls per 100 cows. "It may be necessary to reduce quotas in 22C to prevent the loss of mature bulls," he said.

If the hunters participating in the

subsistence hunt are indeed not after a trophy, Gorn speculated that they may be shooting the larger bulls in Unit 22C just to be certain they are targeting a male in the bulls-only hunt. The oldest, biggest bulls have a reputation for yielding tough meat. "You may come up on a group and, darn it, you're just not sure. You've heard you should take a 3-year-old bull, but you're just not sure," Gorn said. "Maybe it's a cow. But that one on the end, with the big boss, I know that's a bull. They end up shooting

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# Wanton waste issue left on Board of Game's table

By Sandra L. Medearis

The Alaska Game Board backed off considering a potentially controversial proposal Saturday and tabled it for the annual meeting early next year.

Proposition 34, sponsored by the Arctic Advisory Council, if adopted and implemented in management of state game resources as originally written, would apply to game management areas 23 and 26A in easing the restrictions on leaving dead carcasses in the field. The rule change would include disease as a factor that could render meat inedible and therefore not subject to the edible meat salvage requirement. The game board amended the proposal to include all management units' statewide and tabled further action by a vote of 4-3.

Currently the law requires a hunter to salvage all edible meat under most circum-

stances. Under the definition of edible meat is stated that edible meat of big game does not include meat that has been damaged and made inedible by the method of taking. However, it does not include meat that has been made inedible by disease that was in the animal that was harvested. Therefore, people are legally required to salvage meat that is in fact inedible and poses a health risk to the person who consumes it, say proponents of the change.

A current case in court involves eight hunters from Point Hope charged on wanton waste of meat after an investigation showed that hunters had shot a large number of caribou and left the carcasses to rot in summer 2008. Their defense argued that the meat from unsalvaged carcasses that some investigators said numbered over 100, was diseased and therefore inedible. Since the

filing of charges in March 2009, three of the Point Hope hunters have changed their pleas to guilty.

Prop. 34 modifies the definition of edible meat under the salvage requirement for Game Management Units 23 and 26A to exclude meat the hunter deems comes from a diseased animal. An amendment attached by the board before the tabling vote extends the proposal to cover all game management units statewide.

In its write-up of this proposal, Arctic Advisory Council said if the measure were OK'd and implemented, hunters would benefit who were no longer forced to break the law. If the measure went down, hunters would continue to be guilty of breaking a regulation that would not allow them to leave meat in the field that is inedible because of disease.

The board tabled the issue on a vote of 4-

3. The majority of the board argued that such a measure deserved statewide consideration for application to all units, not just a couple of units.

Board member Teresa Sager Albaugh of Tok, tried to keep the issue on the table saying that it should come to a vote up or down as other proposals on the November agenda.

The Department of Fish and Game took a stance of "no action recommended" in written comment, saying the current regulation was adequate for defining edible meat and meat salvage requirements.

"The department is also sensitive to current legal proceedings regarding meat salvage and recommends the board take no action on the proposal," the ADF&G statement said.

The Alaska Board of Game held its fall meeting at the Mini-convention Center in Nome from Nov. 13-16.

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that one because they're confident it's legal. The people that have eaten musk ox can tell you that's not the one you want to eat."

In that vein, board member Bradley questioned whether restricting the subsistence hunt to 3-year-old bulls and cows where possible would be effective. Gorn said having the option to harvest a cow could give hunters more of a safety net when targeting young bulls.

"We can beat this thing to death and make all kinds of assumptions in changing seasons and so forth. Common sense tells me your subsistence hunters, if given the chance to take cows and young bulls, they would," Spraker said. I've eaten steaks from two old bulls; they're tougher than old leather. The flavor's good, but you're going to have the opportunity to chew it for a while."

Board member Bell argued against trophy destruction all together. "I just think this horn destruction idea is just a bad idea no matter where we apply it," Bell said. "I just never agreed with it, I think it's the wrong way to manage." He did acknowledge the need to address the declining bull population. "It appears we're shooting too many mature bulls. We need to find a way to fix that, but I'm not sure trophy destruction is the way to do that."

### Several proposals scuttled

The board shot down several of the proposals before it in quick order.

• **Same-day airborne hunts won't be extended:** A proposal to allow same-day hunting for the duration of the caribou seasons throughout Unit 22 met with a unanimous "no" vote by the board. Proposed by Nome resident Tim Smith, the proposal would have applied the same-day provisions currently allowed Jan. 1 to April 15 in the unit.

Gorn said the department does not track harvest statistics by those hunting under the current same-day provisions, but estimated that the numbers are low. "We just haven't seen much participation in this opportunity," he said. "I can tell you the few people who have participated and have talked to me are pretty consistent in saying, 'Well I did that once.'"

The board was cold to the idea of increasing that opportunity. "I've never been a supporter of a same-day hunt of anything, anywhere," Grussendorf said. "I don't want to deny a person the opportunity of the great outdoors. If a person has to spend a night, he or she is going to think of taking the animals out. So I do not support this proposal."

Spraker said while he feels the health of the population would not be a concern in opening up more opportunity, the potential for conflicts with aircraft competing with other hunters was enough reason to deny it. "There's plenty of opportunity, generous bag limits, plenty of caribou. I'm still not in favor of this one," he said.

"I'm not going to vote for this either," chairman Judkins said. He was good for his word as the proposal fell 0-7.


• **22B moose season won't be delayed:** A proposal to start the moose season on Sept. 17 in the portion of Unit 22B that covers White Mountain, Golovin and Council also went down by a 0-7 vote. The proposal, submitted by the Chinik Eskimo Community, would have run the season from Sept. 17-30 instead of the current Sept. 1-14. The proposal also

asked that the permit for the hunt only be available in Golovin and White Mountain.

The backers of the proposal argued that by starting the hunt later, there would be less chance of meat spoiling due to warmer weather.


Gorn, who reported that the Department of Fish and Game did not

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# Henry Ivanoff declines Siu Alaska Corp. board seat

By Laurie McNicholas

Henry Ivanoff of Unalakleet has declined a seat on the board of directors of Siu Alaska Corp., a wholly owned, for-profit subsidiary of Norton Sound Economic Development Corp., according to NSEDC

Board Chairman and President Dan Harrelson of White Mountain.

The NSEDC board elected Ivanoff to an NSEDC-affiliated seat on the Siu board by a vote of 7 to 6 over Harrelson, the incumbent, at a meeting Nov. 6 in Unalakleet. Ivanoff is a

former NSEDC board chairman who currently serves as an at-large member of the board's finance committee. *The Nome Nugget* asked Harrelson by e-mail how the NSEDC board plans to fill the seat.

"I anticipate the full NSEDC Board of Di-

rectors will hold another election to fill the vacancy," Harrelson replied by e-mail Nov. 13. "We do plan on having a meeting the first week of December to review and approve budgets. My guess is that would be the earliest we can select someone for the vacancy."

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eligible voting area.

The City of Nome reported the following vote tally and the percentage of 737 total votes counted for Nome board seat candidates. Steve Brock, 31 (4.2 percent); Tim Smith, 275 (37.3 percent); Don Stiles, 298 (40.43 percent); Robin Thomas, 113 (15.3 percent); and write-in candidates, 20 (2.71 percent).

### Election results challenged

On Oct. 30, Smith sent an affidavit contesting the election results to NSEDC officials Dan Harrelson, board chairman and president; Janis Ivanoff, chief executive officer; and Kathy Wheelahan, community outreach coordinator.

Smith said he is challenging the election results because NSEDC bylaws state: "a runoff election shall be held if no candidate receives over 40 percent of the votes cast for member representative." Smith said no candidate received over 40 percent of the 746 votes cast. As noted above, the City of Nome reported that 746 ballots were cast in the NSEDC election for the Nome representative.

"This contest is timely pursuant to 7.25.130 of the Nome Code in that the election has not been canvassed by the Nome Common Council or certified by the NSEDC board of directors," Smith stated in his affidavit.

On Nov. 1 Smith e-mailed a complaint alleging that NSEDC staff had tampered in the Oct. 6 NSEDC election to Harrelson; Ivanoff; Wheelahan; Simon Kinneen, NSEDC's chief operating officer; and Joe Garnie, Teller's board member. Smith requested that the NSEDC board of directors take action on the complaint at their meeting scheduled Nov. 3-6 in Unalakleet.

"NSEDC staff acted inappropriately during the campaign for the October 6, 2009 NSEDC member representative election," Smith stated in the complaint. "These actions ap-

peared to be intended to influence voters and the election outcome.

"I am requesting the following," he continued: "1. Investigate this matter. 2. Reprimand the staff members involved. 3. Establish written policies for staff to follow in the future. 4. Establish in writing, actions for future violations.

"It is important that this complaint be addressed before the Nome runoff election in December," Smith's complaint concluded.

Smith's affidavit of Oct. 30 and his complaint of Nov. 1 were not discussed by the NSEDC board of directors during any public session at their meetings Nov. 3-6 in Unalakleet, according to a reporter for *The Nome Nugget* who attended the meeting. The reporter said the board did not take action to certify election results for the Oct. 6 member representative elections in a public session at the meeting. Several times during the four-day meeting, Janis Ivanoff announced the winners of five elections for NSEDC board seats, each time identifying Don Stiles as the winner of the Nome election. Stiles was sworn in as Nome's member representative Nov. 6 during the annual NSEDC directors' meeting.

### Complaint filed in court

The complaint Smith filed in the Superior Court Monday states that the election of Stiles was improper in the following respects:

"(A) The election was not consistent with the decision of the Alaska Superior Court in *Smith v. Norton Sound Economic Development Corporation*, 2NO-94-141CI, which, among other things, required NSEDC Board elections to be conducted under City of Nome election rules.

"(B) Voters not eligible to vote in municipal elections because they did not reside in the municipal boundaries were allowed to vote.

"(C) Changes to the Nome voting rules need to be made by the City of

Nome, and not the Board of NSEDC. Any changes made to those voting rules by the Board of NSEDC and applied in this election are not valid.

"(D) The required plurality requirement in this election (50 percent plus 1) prescribed by the Nome voting rules was not applied in this election.

"(E) A plurality requirement of 40 percent, adopted by the NSEDC was not met in this case in any event.

"(F) The CDQ enabling legislation, 16 U.S.C. 1855 (the Magnuson-Stevens Act) requires that a director be selected from each village, including Nome. The provisions of this Act were violated by allowing participation in the process by voters and candidates from outside of Nome.

"(G) The voting was improperly influenced by the CEO of NSEDC calling Nome voters on the election day to influence their votes."

Smith requests the following relief in his complaint against NSEDC.

"1. A declaration that the election and seating of Don Stiles as a Board member of NSEDC was void, and that this seat be vacated.

"2. An order directing that a runoff election between Don Stiles and Timothy E. Smith be held, to be conducted in accord with the decision of the Court in *Smith v. Norton Sound Economic Development Corporation*.

"3. An award of costs and attorney fees, and

"4. An award of such and further relief as this Court may deem just and proper."

On Monday a Superior Court summons was issued to NSEDC that requires the company to file with the court a written answer to Smith's complaint within 20 days after receiving the summons.

In response to a request for comments about his Superior Court complaint, Smith emailed the following statement to the *Nugget*.

"Third world countries have honey buckets and crooked elections and they are full of the same thing.

*"We trusted NSEDC in 1994 when they agreed to hold fair elections and they have repeatedly betrayed our trust."*

— Tim Smith

The people in power manipulate elections to keep themselves in power and keep everyone else living in third world conditions. We trusted NSEDC in 1994 when they agreed to hold fair elections and they have repeatedly betrayed our trust.

"In the 2003 election for Nome director, they packed the ballot box with votes from ineligible voters and Don Stiles got in by two votes. In 2006, Don wasn't even on the ballot when we held our election but somehow he ended up on the NSEDC board anyway. This year, the paper carried color pictures of Don passing over giant

checks from Siu worth \$426,500, right before the election. Siu exists for one purpose, and that is to provide dividends to NSEDC. It is not authorized to donate money to anybody except NSEDC. It's obvious from the timing and the grandiose way it was done that the intent was to buy votes for Don.

"The CDQ program is a great program. If it was run the way it is supposed to be run, it could do a lot to help get our people out of third-world living conditions. I'm disgusted with these constant efforts by the people in control, using our money, to lock us out."

## SPORTS

## Wrestlers get a sneak peak at state competition

Five Nome wrestlers worked their way to the upper echelons of last weekend's ACS Wrestling Tournament in Anchorage.

The massive tournament is widely considered a preview of the upcoming state meet as most schools of all sizes compete at ACS. As a team, Nome worked its way to eighth place among the 33 in its class.

Individually, Lonny Booshu placed highest for the Nanooks, earning second place at 125 lbs. Gabe Cabrera placed third for his weight class, Eric Odden placed fourth, David Stickel was sixth and Derek Weiler placed sixth, as well.

The wrestlers will travel to Bethel this weekend before defending its home mats at the Northern Conference Tournament Dec. 4-5. The tournament will decide who moves on to state.

Nome's gym will see some action this weekend, as well, as the junior high squad hosts Bethel Friday and Saturday.

### ACS Wrestling Tournament

**Team scores:** 1) Dillingham 234, 2) Bethel 203, 3) Nikiski 161.5, 4) Kotzebue 158.5, 5) Cordova 128.5, 6) Petersburg 119.5; 7) Craig 116; 8) Nome 110.5; 9) Seward 103.5; 10) Anchorage Christian 97.5; 11) Hoonah 84; 12) Valdez 82.5; 13) Barrow, Sitka 71.5 (tie); 15) Unalakleet 70; 16) Metlakatla 69.5; 17) Eielson 59.5; 18) Mt. Edgecumbe 57; 19) Voznesenka 56; 20) Grace Christian 52; 21) Wrangell 40.5; 22) Galena 39; 23) Glenallen 31; 24) New Stuyahok 26;

25) Haines 23; 26) Ninilchik 22; 27) Chevak 14; 28) Yakutat 12; 29) Selkovia 90; 30) Newhalen 8; 31) Aniak 6; 32) Quinhagak 5; 33) Cantwell 4.

**Championship matches:** 103 -- Zach Pleasant, Bethel, dec. Mike Wassily, Dillingham, 14-2. 112 -- Jared Miller, Dillingham, dec. Mario Kugo, Bethel, 8-2. 119 -- Corbin Lepore, Bethel, dec. Jesse Rogers, Dillingham, 5-3. 125 -- Randy Hanson, Bethel, dec. Lonny Booshu, Nome, 10-8. 130 -- Luke Charters, ACS, dec. Seth O'Brien, Bethel, 13-5. 135 -- Daniel Brandon,

ACS, dec. Matt Seifert, Barrow, 5-3. 140 -- Kyle Mundy, Cordova, dec. Ryan Chavez, Bethel, 9-3. 145 -- Reed Tennyson, Dillingham, dec. Terry Rogers, Mt. Edgecumbe, 7-1. 152 -- Blake Platt, Cordova, p. J.J. Larson, Dillingham, 4-32. 160 -- Justin Allen, Valdez, p. Kole Skaflestad, Hoonah, 5-30. 171 -- Jared Miller, Kotzebue, p. Kyle Armour, Eielson, 2-53. 189 -- Tyler Thain, Craig, dec. Tony Craig, Petersburg, 15-0. 215 -- Quentin Backford, Dillingham, dec. Pat Quigley, Craig, 5-2. Hwt -- Michael Berkeley, p. Leo Polushkin, Voznesenka, 3-17.



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## • Board of Game

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support the proposal, warned that the later hunt could likely result in a glut of unsuccessful hunters from other units putting more pressure on the area in question. With road access to Council from Nome and river access from Council to White Mountain, there is plenty of access to the area from the region's population center.

Gorn also noted that the bulls are much more susceptible later in September as they enter the rut. "Although the initial idea was to provide more hunting opportunity for residents of White Mountain and Golovin, I think there is a real potential of unsuccessful hunters from Nome driving down to Council to hunt this area when moose are up and moving around. I think the impact of that might actually take more opportunity away from the villages of White Mountain and Golovin," Gorn said.

"The later season is really a choice time for a moose hunter," Judkins said. "I think it would really increase the harvest there and load

everybody up in one area."

• **Guide requirements for 22B shot down:** The board unanimously denied a proposal that would have required guide-client agreements for nonresident moose hunters at the time they applied for a permit in the eastern part of Unit 22B. The proposal was submitted by area guide Bob Hannon. In the section of the proposal form that asks what will happen if the proposal is not implemented, Hannon answered, "Out of state unprepared guides and outfitters will continue to waste moose meat as has happened in the past."

The board was leery to take up the issue when guides are not required for nonresident moose hunts. "We require guides for nonresidents for bear, sheep, goats, but for moose, you're not required to have a guide," Grussendorf said. "But to apply it here, and looking at statutory language, I'm wondering if we could do that?"

"Every time we start getting into the guide business, it seems like we stumble," Bell said. "I think Ben

[Grussendorf] makes a good point. There's a reasonable chance we can't do, and I think there's a good reason for us not to do it."

Kevin Saxby, a state assistant attorney general advising the board on legal issues, said as he understood the proposal, it was not requiring a guide for the hunt, but addressing nonresident hunters if a guide was to be involved. He added that if the proposal was indeed requiring a guide, it would run contrary to Alaska statute.

"Seems like we're getting the cart before the horse. If the guy gets the permit, then he can decide if he wants the guide afterward," Bradley said.

• **All bear proposals fail:** Proposals to extend the brown bear season in Units 22A and 22C failed by a 0-7 vote. Likewise, a proposal to shorten the season and reduce the brown bear bag limit in the Bering Land Bridge National Preserve failed to garner any board support.

Assistant wildlife biologist Letty Hughes for Unit 22 said the department did not support any of the bear proposals. For the Unit 22A proposal, concerning the area around St. Michael, she noted that the department believed the extended dates would increase the bear harvest rates rapidly. The proposal would have stretched the season to June 15. It currently runs Aug. 1 to May 31.

Hughes reported that unit-wide, annual brown bear harvests have nearly doubled since a liberalization in regulations in 1997. Before the regulation shift, she said an average of 55 bears were harvested each year. The average is now 93, she said.

"I can't support it because in the last 10 years, it's at least doubled, the take of brown bears," Bradley said. "Providing more opportunity is going to increase that, so I support the department's view."

"I agree with Lew [Bradley] on this one," Spraker said. "This looks like a recipe for over-harvest."

In Unit 22C, Hughes said the issue is not so much a concern for the bear population, but in where people will be hunting. "Our concern isn't that 22C can't withstand a modest increase. Our concern is a reduction in harvest in 22B where we have documented chronically low moose-calf recruitments."

The board agreed with the depart-

ment's view.

The proposal to alter the brown bear regulations in the national preserve met the same fate. Hughes reported that since 1997 the average harvest of bears in the Bering Land Bridge National Preserve has gone from three to five.

Board members cited the low harvest numbers, a desire for consistency in regulations on and off the preserve and a legal opinion from the Department of Law that they are not in violation of any federal law by leaving the regulation as is in their vote to deny the proposal.

• **Wolverine season unchanged:** A proposal by Brian Simpson to extend the wolverine season in several parts of Unit 22 to April 30 for both trapping and hunting received a unanimous thumbs-down from the board. The hunting season currently ends March 31 while the trapping season concludes April 15. Simpson argued that winter conditions last longer in the northern and western portions of the unit, making a later season a reasonable request.

The department recommended the

board deny the proposal. Nome trapper Culley also spoke out against the proposal in his testimony. An avid trapper, Culley said he pulls his wolverine traps a few weeks before the season's end to avoid taking females.

Hughes said the department did not have good numbers on the wolverine population, but said low harvest numbers generally signify small populations.

• **Wolf season reduction fails:** Opposed by the department, the northern and southern Norton Sound Advisory Committees and several people testifying, a proposal to reduce the wolf hunting season in Unit 22 and cut the bag limit in half was quickly shot down by the board.

"My notes from public testimony show we had several people testify in opposition to this," Spraker said. "There's no need to reduce the season by 120 days. The harvest of wolves falls in acceptable levels."

The proposal would have started the season on Nov. 1 and closed it March 31. The bag limit would have been cut from 20 to 10 wolves. The season currently runs from Aug. 1 to April 30.



Photo by Tyler Rhodes

**BIG GUY**—A maturing bull musk ox sniffs out the edibles on the tundra just north of Nome during a blustery October day. The state board of game mulled over ideas on how to guide subsistence musk ox hunts away from the larger bulls, which are on the decline in Unit 22C.

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**MEETING WITH FUTURE POLITICIANS**—Sen. Lisa Murkowski sits with the first grade math group on Nov. 13 at the Nome Elementary School.

## Sen. Murkowski enlists local support as mail crisis looms

By Tyler Rhodes

U.S. Sen. Lisa Murkowski wants you to write her an e-mail.

In the face of a looming budget crisis at the U.S. Postal Service, the senator warned Nomeites during a visit last week that the mechanism by which nearly all retail goods arrive in rural Alaska is at risk. “Our reality is the postal service is about \$8 billion in the hole. It is a mess,” she said during a public question-and-answer session at Old St. Joe’s Hall Nov. 13.

Murkowski said that reality means bypass mail will likely be in the crosshairs as the Postal Service scrambles to fill the ever-widening chasm in its budget. Bypass mail, so named because it is shipped directly from the sender to the recipient without going through the post office, is a lifeline to much of rural Alaska in keeping consumer costs low. Under the system, shippers are charged the parcel postage rate, one of the lowest offered by the postal service.

For policymakers to understand just why the system that ensures cheaper freight rates in Alaska should remain, Murkowski asked for residents to send her e-mails relating the cost of shopping for essential goods in their community versus going to large box stores in Anchorage and Outside.

While there may be a bit of irony in the senator’s request—the Postal Service has cited the shift to electronic communication as a large contributor to plummeting revenues—the intent is to provide ammunition for the argument that bypass mail needs to remain intact for rural Alaskans. “We’ve got to better lay the case as to why this is essential,” she said.

“My great concern is bypass mail becomes a victim of the U.S. Postal Service’s near insolvency,” Murkowski said. “Most people do not understand it...so it is ripe for attack.”

Murkowski, along with Sen. Mark Begich and Rep. Don Young, helped broker a deal in March that thwarted a significant rate increase for the bypass mail service. The congressional intervention helped hold the rate increase in a range of 12-17 percent instead of the 40 percent jump that loomed.

Murkowski said a range of options are being considered to help the Postal Service save money, including reducing the number of service days per week to five. “Everything is on the table right now,” she said.

Murkowski said rural residents should send her e-mails detailing the costs of a grocery shopping trip at home versus in the city. “Don’t forget to add in what it costs you to go get it,” she said, referring to fuel costs for travel. A link to e-mail the senator can be found at her website at [murkowski.senate.gov](http://murkowski.senate.gov).

The mail was just one subject the senator covered in her half-day visit to Nome. The public meeting came following her visit to the Norton Sound Regional Hospital and the elementary and junior/senior high schools. At the public session, Murkowski fielded questions that covered everything from the U.S. military’s role in Afghanistan to subsistence priorities in Alaska.

### Health care

With so much of the national attention focused on health care reform, Dr. Bob Lawrence, who recently opened a private practice in Nome, asked Murkowski what was being done at the national level to encourage more doctors to provide primary care.

“We’ve got a real crisis when it comes to providers,” she said, noting only 13 doctors in Anchorage are currently accepting new Medicare patients. She noted that current policy does not provide incentive for new doctors to go into the primary care field, which often means longer working hours and less pay than for a specialty doctor. “We can’t have everybody be the specialist,” she said.

She suggested ideas like loan forgiveness for new doctors providing specialty care or tax incentives for established primary care doctors to provide care in underserved areas, like rural Alaska. She said tweaking the current health care system to provide more Americans with medical coverage will do little good if there are no doctors available for them to see. “We’re focused on giving everyone the card, but failing in providing

the service once everybody is issued the card,” she said.

Nome resident Jake Kenick asked the senator whether Alaskans medically covered by the Indian Health Service will need to move over to any public health care coverage if such an option is established. “We’re making sure the IHS piece will not be disturbed,” she replied. “We’ve worked to make sure that what we have within IHS is separate from health care reform.”

### Broad range of issues

Other questions posed at the forum covered the effort by rural schools to meet the requirements of the No Child Left Behind Act, the possibility of a Coast Guard installation in Nome and the potential for natural gas development in the region.

Joel Alowa, who has worked with Nome Public Schools through his job at Nome Eskimo Community, told Murkowski that Nome’s schools have chronically failed to meet the yearly benchmarks set by the No Child Left Behind Act. The senator said she believes there is a problem between the idea and application of the federal legislation.

“We shouldn’t be afraid of accountability,” she told the audience. “We should be afraid of a nationalized approach.” She highlighted the difficulties in having teachers in rural schools who are required to meet the federal standard of being “highly qualified” for every subject they teach. Rural teachers often must cover many subjects due to the small size of the school or frequent turnover.

Murkowski said she advocated for flexibility in the legislation as it is revamped while still maintaining the accountability aspect.

In terms of a Coast Guard presence in Nome, Murkowski said she is aware that the military is working to gain a stronger foothold in the Arctic. She said she could not be certain as to what the physical layout of that increased presence will be. Murkowski said she was concerned

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## Unalakleet Schools project includes gym

By Laurie McNicholas

“I know it will make a huge difference,” Luci Ivanoff said of the new and enlarged gym currently under construction at Unalakleet Schools. “We’ve wanted a bigger gym for a long time. It was all we had, but the way it was set up, you had to come to a game early to position yourself not to sit behind a pole and crane your neck.”

Ivanoff, who is the schools’ librarian, explained that three large poles extending from the gym’s floor to its ceiling in front of the bleachers obstructed views. She made the widest circle the length of her arms would allow to indicate the circumference of the poles. Sometimes fans whose views were blocked by the poles would give up efforts to watch game action and visit with each other, she added. She said cushioned chairs from the library were placed in front of the bleachers and on the sidelines for elders.

The gym is used for community events in addition to students’ competitive games. “In the six years I’ve been here, all kinds of things have been done in the gym—funerals, graduations, Christmas concerts,” said Unalakleet Schools Principal Ben Howard.

The new gym is part of a major maintenance construction project funded at approximately \$12.5 million by the Alaska Legislature, Howard explained. He said the project allows the school to change its design, but not its square footage. Construction began last May, will continue through the winter and is scheduled for completion in August 2010, he added.

The project includes extensive redesign and construction of the middle school and high school areas in addition to the gym, along with a new roof for the entire structure, including the elementary school. The elementary school is a newer section of the structure than other areas, Howard noted. He said construction began last May, will continue through the winter and is scheduled for completion in August 2010.

The K-12 school is internally divided into Unalakleet Elementary, Unalakleet Middle School, and Frank A. Degnan High School. The combined school population of Unalakleet Schools is 185 students from Early Childhood Education through 12th grade, Howard said.

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Photo by Laurie McNicholas

**WORKING BY FLOODLIGHT**—A worker begins the day with the help of floodlights at Unalakleet Schools, site of a \$12.5 million major maintenance construction project to redesign and rebuild the middle school, high school and gym. Construction began last May, will continue through the winter and is slated for completion in August 2010.

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Hats off to Mike Owens. Thank you for your dedication to the Norton Sound Region. You have touched the lives of most of us at some point throughout your 26 years in Nome. We are fortunate to have dedicated people like you serving the community. Thank You Mike!

Mike Owens’ family in Florida has recently endured several family tragedies in a very short time. Mike’s uncle passed away at the beginning of summer. Mike’s father had emergency cardiac vascular surgery from which he is still recovering. Soon after, his brother suffered a near fatal heart attack. He spent several weeks in ICU and has yet to recover. The latest blow was Mike’s father being diagnosed with liver cancer. He is currently undergoing treatment in Tampa, Florida with Mike at his side.

Mike has spent the summer in Florida taking care of his parents while Pat has handled everything here in Nome. They need support of the community that they so faithfully served for a quarter of a century.

Friends and family have organized this chili dinner and auction at Old St. Joseph Hall on November 28 at 6 p.m.

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<p><b>CAPRICORN</b> December 22–January 19</p> <p>Chores begin piling up at home. Set aside some time to tackle them and drive in, Capricorn. A web of inquiries at work bogs you down but is a blessing in disguise.</p>	<p><b>ARIES</b> March 21–April 19</p> <p>Face it, Aries. You’re your own worst critic. You expect a lot from yourself and others. Not everyone can measure up to your standards, though. Cut your family and friends some slack.</p>	<p><b>CANCER</b> June 22–July 22</p> <p>Think the worst of people this week, Cancer, and they will not disappoint you. See the good in others, focus on their strengths and life will be rosy.</p>	<p><b>LIBRA</b> September 23–October 22</p> <p>Uh-oh, Libra. Someone at home is up to something. Don’t worry. If they manage to pull it off, it will benefit the whole family. Small packages contain big surprises.</p>
<p><b>AQUARIUS</b> January 20–February 18</p> <p>A serious challenge is headed your way. Don’t accept what you cannot do, Aquarius. Romance heats up, and a special trip for two is planned.</p>	<p><b>TAURUS</b> April 20–May 20</p> <p>Let it go, Taurus. Your friend made a serious mistake that they deeply regret. Stop reminding them of it. Accept their apology and move on. You have bigger fish to fry.</p>	<p><b>LEO</b> July 23–August 22</p> <p>Wait no more, Leo. You’ve given a mentor ample time to consider your proposal. Stop bugging them about it and go on without them. You can do it alone.</p>	<p><b>SCORPIO</b> October 23–November 21</p> <p>A breach of confidence makes waves at work. You may be privy to the matter, but that doesn’t mean you have to add fuel to the fire, Scorpio. Leave it be.</p>
<p><b>PISCES</b> February 19–March 20</p> <p>Yippee, Pisces. That mountain of work on your desk disappears, and a bank account fattens with a small windfall. Friends call a truce, and the party planning resumes.</p>	<p><b>GEMINI</b> May 21–June 21</p> <p>Snooze this week, Gemini, and you most certainly will lose out. Pay attention to what’s going on around you and seize every opportunity that comes your way.</p>	<p><b>VIRGO</b> August 23–September 22</p> <p>Dream on, Virgo. That young family member is not going to change. They are just telling you what you want to hear. Redirect your efforts to that which you can change.</p>	<p><b>SAGITTARIUS</b> November 22–December 21</p> <p>Wishes are granted by the multitude. Enjoy what comes your way, Sagittarius. A clean sweep at home reveals a number of forgotten treasures.</p>

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Saying It Sincerely

By Pastor Mike Christian  
River of Life Assembly of God  
for the Nome Ministerial Association

“Thanksgiving Thanks”  
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- II Corinthians 9:15

As we prepare to celebrate the Thanksgiving holiday it is my prayer that we will take the time to consider all the things we have to be thankful for in our lives. We have friends and family who love us and are there for us when we need help or are facing difficult situations. We live in a beautiful place. We are blessed to be able to walk out our front doors and see the amazing land and seascape the Lord has created around us. The simplicity of living here in Nome is a true blessing. While many experience the hustle and bustle of city life, we have the privilege of being able to live in a place where we can (for the most part), walk the streets without fear of being mugged or run over by the traffic that jams many of our nation’s cities. We have the wonderful opportunity to really get to know our neighbors, unlike those who live in larger communities or cities, where they would rather just be left alone to live out their lives without ever truly knowing who lives next door to them. Folks, we are truly a blessed people here in Nome.

In addition to all this, we have something even more wonderful to be thankful for this holiday season. We have the opportunity to show our appreciation to the One who has made all this possible: the Lord Jesus Christ! Without Jesus, we would not have the privilege of knowing what true beauty there is in the creation He has surrounded us with each day. We would not be able to truly experience the love our heavenly Father has for us if it were not for the presence of his son in our lives. When Jesus came into to the world, he came to bring us the most precious gift we could ever receive from someone. He came to bring us “salvation” from our sins. The love of God caused him to send his son to provide a way for us to come back to him. Jesus provides for us, the opportunity to be forgiven and restored to the relationship we once had with God, “in the beginning...” It says in [John 3:16](#) that; “God so loved the world (you & I), that he sent his only son (Jesus), into the world, that whoever would believe in him, (accept him as their savior) would not perish, but would have eternal life!” What a gift!

So, as we gather around the table this Thanksgiving, let us truly take time to give thanks for the greatest gift we have or will ever receive: Salvation and eternal Life through Jesus Christ! As we partake of the food that God has blessed us with, may we also partake of the opportunity he has given us: the opportunity to be restored in our relationship to God, through his Son, Jesus Christ. May we truly “count our blessings” as we celebrate all that God has given us this holiday season.

Have a blessed Thanksgiving!

• Sen. Murkowski —

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that the Coast Guard can often be overshadowed by the other military branches in seeking funding. She also lamented the limited number of ice-breakers the military possessed, which proves a hindrance to further Arctic exploration.

In response to a question from Tim Smith regarding natural gas exploration offshore in the area, Murkowski responded that such work would be more the purview of private industry than the federal government. “If we can’t get private in-

dustry to pursue it, why would the federal government go out? That’s not our business,” she said.

She did note that state and federal regulations can make it difficult for private industry to pursue exploration. She also mentioned the potential of renewable resource development in rural Alaska, such as tapping into wind or geothermal resources. She noted that local leaders need to be the ones banging the drum to get support for projects in their region. “We’ve got potential if we’re willing to push it a little further,” she said.

Cold Therapy: The Healing Effects of Frozen Peas

**Bob Lawrence, MD  
Alaska Family Doctor**  
Physicians in early Egypt, and later the Aesclepien doctors of ancient Greece, recognized the anti-inflammatory and analgesic qualities of cold therapy in their writings. And while patients today have access to a plethora of over-the-counter and prescription strength remedies for common musculo-skeletal injuries, nothing has proven to be as broadly useful or universally appealing as a simple bag of ice.



Ice can be used to reduce pain and speed recovery in a wide range of ailments including: sprained joints; tendonitis; arthritis; migraine headaches; and neuralgias. Ice or similar forms of cold therapy are the most commonly used first aid treatment in acute sport’s injuries.

Cold therapy improves recovery after an injury first by reducing blood flow to an injured area. This slowing of blood flow, called vasoconstriction, decreases swelling and slows the migration of destructive inflammatory cells into injured tissues. A study published in 1989 showed that cold therapy used to treat serious ankle sprains reduced recovery-time from 30 days to 13 days.

Furthermore, cold therapy reduces muscle spasm and slows the firing of nerve endings leading to a reduction in perceived pain.

Cold packs have become increasingly sophisticated, but there is no evidence to suggest that expensive ice-packs or gel-packs are better than a plastic bag filled with snow or crushed ice. In fact, one researcher found that in order to lower the skin temperature to a therapeutic level, a bag of frozen peas was more effective than commercially avail-

able frozen gel packs.

Ice massage is also very effective for ailments like tendonitis and muscle spasms. Ice massage is performed with a frozen paper cup of ice massaged over a site of pain using overlapping strokes. Similarly, a frozen bottle of water can be rolled under the foot to soothe and stretch the tendons in a plantar fasciitis. A bath of ice water is a good treatment for injured extremities.

In general, injuries should be treated with cold therapy for no more than 20 minutes repeated as needed every one to two hours. Longer exposure to cold can cause permanent nerve or tissue damage.

When using ice packs, a thin cloth should be placed between the ice-pack

and skin to prevent frostbite.

Cold therapy is not recommended for patients with Reynaud’s syndrome, uncontrolled thyroid problems, poorly controlled blood pressure, or other sensitivity to cold exposure.

Cold therapy should never be used on an extremity that has a loss of protective sensation like in an advanced diabetic neuropathy or nerve compression syndrome. Caution should also be used in people with peripheral vascular disease.

Talk to your provider or physical therapist about the most effective use of ice to treat your injury or ailment. You may also want keep a bag of peas in the freezer; just in case.

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

**Community Baptist Church-SBC**  
108 West Third, 443-5448

**Small Group Bible Study** 10 a.m.  
**Sunday Morning Worship** 11 a.m.  
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

Sunday School & Bible Study 9:45 a.m.  
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.

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## Employment

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Status: full time  
Salary: d.o.e. + benefits  
Closing date: 5:00 p.m., november 28, 2009 (postmarked)  
for a job description and application contact:

herbert ivanoff, city administrator  
City of Unalakleet  
P.O. Box 28  
Unalakleet, AK 99684  
phone: (907)624-3531  
fax: (907)624-3130  
[counk@alaska.com](mailto:counk@alaska.com)

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## Seawall

**11/10**  
Dawn Oozevaseuk, 29, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Assault 4°.  
Thomas Ilmar, 31, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Assault 4°.  
Christopher Aningayou, 26, received a citation for Expired Registration.  
Virginia Amarok, 34, received a citation for Endangering the Welfare of a Child.  
**11/11**  
Alfred Kakoon, 31, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Assault 4°, Interfering with a report of Domestic Violence, Criminal Mischief 4°, and Violating Conditions of Probation.  
Monica Rose, 43, received a citation for unattended Animal Prohibited.  
Monica Rose, 43, received a citation Failure to License an Animal.  
**11/13**  
Geoffrey Milligrock, 25, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Assault 3°, and Violating Conditions of Probation.

A Nome juvenile received a citation for Minor in Possession of Tobacco.  
**11/14**  
Kenneth Smith, 21, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Violating Conditions of Probation.  
Kellen Katcheak, 26, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Assault 4°, Domestic Violence Interfering with a report of Domestic Violence, and Violating Conditions of Probation. At arraignment, he was charged with Assault 2°.  
Bobby Foster, 43, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Violating Conditions of Probation.  
**11/16**  
A Nome juvenile received a citation for Minor Consuming Alcohol.  
A Nome juvenile received a citation for Curfew Violation.  
During this reporting period we had seven (7) persons transported to the hospital for a Title 47, Protective Custody Hold.

## Trooper Beat

On November 6, at approximately 11:25 p.m., ome Alaska State Troopers received a report from Norton Sound Health Corporation in Nome of a natural death that had occurred in Teller. Investigation showed that Robert Dickson, Sr., 72, of Teller died due to medical complications. The body was released to the family per the state Medical Examiner. Next-of-Kin notified.

## Legals

**NOTICE OF DEFAULT AND SALE**  
Foreclosure Sale to be held December 30, 2009, at 10:00 AM at the Main entrance to the Nome Courthouse, 113 Front Street, Nome, AK.

**RECONTRUST COMPANY, N.A., the present Trustee under the Deed of Trust executed by JAMES DEWITT AND RUTH DEWITT, HUSBAND AND WIFE AS JOINT TENANTS, Trustor(s), to RECONTRUST COMPANY, N.A., Trustee, and MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., Beneficiary, recorded April 26, 2007, in document No. 2007-000247-0 in Book N/A at Page N/A, all in the records of the Kotzebue Recording District, Second Judicial District, State of Alaska, encumbering the following real property:**  
ALL THAT CERTAIN LAND SITUATED IN THE STATE OF AK, COUNTY OF NORTHWEST ARTIC, CITY OF KOTZEBUE, DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: LOT SEVEN A (7A), BLOCK FOURTEEN (14), KOTZEBUE TOWNSITE ADDITION, US SURVEY NUMBER 4498, TRACT A, ACCORDING TO THE REPLAT FILED AUGUST 6, 1984, AS PLAT NUMBER 84-3, RECORDS OF THE KOTZEBUE RECORDING DISTRICT, SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT, STATE OF ALASKA.  
And having a corresponding address of 869 6TH AVENUE, KOTZEBUE, AK 99752, gives notice that a breach occurred because Trustor(s) failed to satisfy obligations secured by the Deed of Trust. The amount owing to the Beneficiary as of September 12, 2009, is \$139,420.85, plus future interest, costs, and other charges.  
Upon demand of the Beneficiary, Trustee hereby elects to sell the real property for cash to apply against obligations owed to the Beneficiary, together with any additional interest, costs, or expenses. Beneficiary gives notice that it is preserving its rights against other collateral securing the obligors.  
Questions regarding the foreclosure should be directed to RECONTRUST COMPANY, N.A. at (800)-281-8219 and reference T.S. No. 08-0073660.  
Dated: 09/21/09  
RECONTRUST COMPANY, N.A.  
By: Cheryl Lee, Team Member

10/29-11/5-12-19

**IN THE SUPERIOR COURT FOR THE STATE OF ALASKA**  
SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT AT NOME  
CASE NO: **2NO-09-00267CI**  
**ORDER FOR HEARING PUBLICATION AND POSTING**  
In the Matter of a Change of Name for:  
**Cissie RoseAlee Kimoktoak**,  
Current name of Adult.  
**Notice of Petition to Change Name**  
A petition has been filed in the Superior Court (Case # **2NO-09-00267CI**) requesting a name change from (current name) **Cissie RoseAlee Kimoktoak** to **RoseAlee Ivianna Quanlin**. A hearing on this request will be held on **November 18, 2009 at 11:00 A.M.**  
10/29-11/5-12-19

**NOTICE OF DEFAULT AND ELECTION TO SELL UNDER DEED OF TRUST**  
Trustee's Sale No: 04-FMG-84944

This NOTICE OF DEFAULT AND ELECTION TO SELL is given by REGIONAL TRUSTEE SERVICES CORPORATION, as Successor Trustee under that certain Deed of Trust executed by HATTO EBERL, UNMARRIED, as Trustor, to JOHN M. MERCER, as Trustee, in favor of AMERICA'S MONEYLINE INC., as Beneficiary, dated 2/11/2005 12:00:00 AM, recorded 2/25/2005 under Instrument No. 2005-000371-0, in the CAPE NOME Recording District, Second Judicial District, State of ALASKA. The beneficial interest in the Deed of Trust has been assigned to Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas, as Indenture Trustee for Saxon Asset Securities Trust

2005-2 and the record owner of the property is purported to be HATTO EBERL, UNMARRIED. Said Deed of Trust covers real property situated in said Recording District, described as follows:

LOT 5A, BLOCK 88 OF NOME, ALASKA TOWNSITE, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT FILED MAY 14, 1984, AS PLAT NUMBER 84-5; RECORDS OF THE NOME RECORDING DISTRICT, SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT, STATE OF ALASKA.  
Commonly referred to as 309 EAST 6TH AVENUE, , NOME, AK 99762.

A breach of the obligation which said Deed of Trust secures has occurred in that FAILURE TO MAKE PAYMENT OF \$1,792.70 WHICH BECAME DUE ON \*7/1/2009\*, AND ALL SUBSEQUENT PAYMENTS THEREAFTER, TOGETHER WITH LATE CHARGES AND ADVANCES, IF ANY; ANY ADVANCES WHICH MAY HEREAFTER BE MADE; AND ALL OBLIGATIONS AND INDEBTEDNESSES AS THEY BECOME DUE.. By reason thereof, and under the terms of the Note and Deed of Trust, the Beneficiary has declared all sums so secured to be immediately due and payable, together with any trustee fees, attorney fees, costs and advances made to protect the security associated with this foreclosure. There is presently due and owing the principal balance of \$159,634.83, plus interest, late charges, costs and any future advances.  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to demand of the Beneficiary, the Trustee will sell the above described real property to satisfy the obligation, together with all accrued interest and all costs and expenses, at public auction, for cash, to the highest and best bidder, ROOM 230 OF THE NOME COURTHOUSE, 113 FRONT STREET, NOME, AK, on February 4, 2010 at 10:00 AM. Beneficiary will have the right to make an offset bid at sale without cash.

Anyone having any objection to the sale on any grounds whatsoever will be afforded an opportunity to be heard as to those objections if they bring a lawsuit to restrain the same.

DATED: 10/27/2009  
REGIONAL TRUSTEE SERVICES CORPORATION  
Trustee  
By: ANNA EGDORF, AUTHORIZED AGENT  
When Recorded Return to: REGIONAL TRUSTEE SERVICES CORPORATION, 616 1st Avenue, Suite 500, Seattle, WA 98104  
11/19-26/12/3-10

**NOTICE OF DEFAULT -- SALE OF REAL PROPERTY**

A foreclosure sale will be held January 19, 2010, at 9:30 a.m. outside the Clerk's Office, Nome Superior Court, 113 Front Street, Room 230, Nome, AK of the Deed of Trust recorded November 30, 2007, as Instrument No. 2007-002104-0, Cape Nome Recording District, Second Judicial District, State of Alaska, as a lien against real property described as: Lot 8A, Block 45A, NOME TOWNSITE; Located in the Cape Nome Recording District, Second Judicial District, State of Alaska; which has a street address of 806 E. 3rd Avenue, Nome, AK 99762. Trustors/Record Owners Frances I. Contreras and David E. Contreras, wife and husband, have breached the obligation for which the Deed of Trust is security: failure to make payments when due under the Deed of Trust. Present Beneficiary, Alaska Housing Finance Corporation, by Assignment recorded November 30, 2007 as Instrument No. 2007-002105-0, is owed the principal amount of \$252,811.97 plus interest from March 1, 2009 at the rate of 6.125% per annum, plus costs, fees, and other charges incurred or advanced thereafter. The Trustee elects to sell the property and to apply the proceeds against the obligation. Trustee reserves the right to postpone the sale, set a minimum bid, submit an offset bid, and establish other bidding procedures at the sale. Questions should be directed to the Law Offices of GROH EGGERS, LLC, 2600

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Cordova Street, Suite 110, Anchorage, AK 99503, phone (907) 562-6474.

Dated: 10-1-09  
Fidelity Title Agency of Alaska, Trustee  
By: Leslie Pilkat, Agent  
11/19-26; 12/3-10

**Request for Statements of Qualifications (SOQ's)**

On behalf of the City of Shaktoolik, Village Safe Water (VSW) is requesting Statements of Qualifications (SOQ's) from qualified firms to plan (feasibility study) and design upgrades to the water treatment facility, water storage tank, and raw water intake. SOQ's are due prior to 3:00 PM Local Time, December 7, 2009, at the Village Safe Water (VSW) offices, 4th floor, 555 Cordova Street, Anchorage, AK. To request a copy of the SOQ information packet, call Pearley Bingham at (907) 334-2638 or email request to Pearley.Bingham@alaska.gov.  
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• **Unalakleet gym**  
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Adrianna Taylor-Brown is the high school language arts teacher. "It's going to be so nice to have updated facilities," she said. "The high school students' lockers are at the middle school. It just doesn't flow. We will be able to be our own unit, our own school."

The school inherited the old gym from a U.S. Air Force squadron that was once based in the community. "The gym of the Air Force base was hauled down and attached to the school in the mid-1970s," Howard said. "Folks who were here in the '50s and late '40s remember redesigning the high school. "[Construction workers] tore down the old gym to its foundations." In early November Howard showed a reporter from *The Nome Nugget* the new gym—a spacious room with a high ceiling and an unfinished interior.

Howard has served as principal for four years, and for the prior two years as assistant principal. He has held teaching and administrative positions in the Bering Strait School District for 15 years.

He expressed gratitude to the State of Alaska and the late Richard Foster, who represented Alaska House District 39, for assistance in funding the construction project. He said the project contractor SKW Construction is good to work with. "They've given tours to teachers, the advisory board and school council," he added.

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**USDA Rural Development FORECLOSURE SALE**

**SALE DATE: November 25, 2009**  
**Nome Courthouse at 10 a.m.**  
**Minimum Bid is \$227,300.00**  
**Appraised at \$315,000.00**  
**908 E Front Street, Nome, AK**  
**For more information, please contact Nancy at Rural Development, 907-761-7730**  
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# Public Notice

Husky LLC is making application for a new Restaurant/Eating Place Public Convenience AS 04.11.400 (g), liquor license, d/b/a Husky located at 235 Front Street, Nome.

Interested persons should submit written comment to their local governing body, the applicant and to the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board at 5848 E Tudor Rd, Anchorage, AK 99507

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## All Around the Sound



Kara Zor-el Nevaeh Hawkins

### New Arrivals

Charlene Kunnuk and Richard Hawkins of Nome announce the birth of their daughter Kara Zor-el Nevaeh Hawkins, born November 1, at 2:06 p.m. at the Alaska Native Medical Center in Anchorage. She weighed 7 pounds, 13.8 ounces and was 19" in length. Her big sister is Kristina Kunnuk. Her maternal grandparents are Joe and Mary Kunnuk of Nome. Her paternal grandparents are Rosalind and John Attatayuk.

Glenn and Mitchell Ivanoff of Unalakleet proudly announce the birth of their daughter, **Jadelyn L. Ivanoff**, born Oct. 3, at 9:20 a.m. at Elmendorf AFB Hospital in Anchorage. She weighed 7 pounds, 11 ounces, and measured 20 1/2 inches

in length. Her maternal grandparents are Harry and Joan Johnson of Unalakleet. Her paternal grandparents are Larry and Maggie Ivanoff of Unalakleet.



Jadelyn L. Ivanoff

Esther M. and Andrew J. Nayokpuk of Anchorage proudly announce the birth of their special, precious, niece, **Chloe' Johanna Danielle Putuzraat Nayokpuk** who was born at the Alaska Native Medical Center in Anchorage on October 11 at 11:02 a.m. Chloe' was 6 pounds, 8 ounces, and was 20" in length. Proud parents are Kristy Charmaine Obruk and Jonathan Michael Davis of Shishmaref. Forever in heart always, she will be known as sister to Kobe, Elsie and Ricky Nayokpuk. Maternal grandparents are Tommy and Vivian Obruk, the late great-grandmother Christina Obruk, great-great-grand-

mother Katherine Barr and the late great-great-grandparents Sergie and Esther Obruk. Paternal grandparents are Pearl Davis and Ray Ningeulook, great-grandparents are Stella and Kim Ningeulook, and the late great-great-grandmother is Beatrice "Putuzraat" Davis, all of Shishmaref.

Don and Fei Cross, along with big brother Jared from Elim, announce the birth of **Katelyn Punichak Wen Cross** (3 lbs., 14 oz. at 10:41 a.m.) and **Kadyn Atmik Xiang Cross** (4 lbs., 8 oz. at 11:05a.m.), born September 7, at the Alaska Native Medical Center in Anchorage.

### Governor's Emergency



Katelyn Punichak Wen Cross and Kadyn Atmik Xiang Cross

**Medical Service Awards** (Anchorage, Alaska) — The Governor's Annual Awards for Emergency Medical Services, sponsored by the Alaska Council on Emergency Medical Services, were announced at

the State Emergency Medical Services Symposium on Friday, Nov. 13. Awards will be presented at the 34<sup>th</sup> Annual Governor's Alaska EMS Awards Banquet at the Egan Con-

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## Public Notice Reminder

Now that it is winter, here is the schedule for snow removal. On Mondays and Wednesdays the snow will be removed from the west side of Bering Street and the south side of Front Street. On Tuesdays and Thursdays the snow will be removed from the east side of Bering Street and the north side of Front Street. The snow removal will take place from 5 a.m. - 8 a.m. Signs are posted for "NO PARKING."

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## Public Notice

# WARNING

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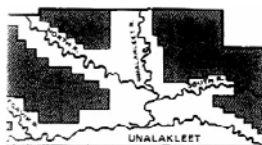
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January 8, 2010

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## Unalakleet Native Corporation Annual Meeting of the Stockholders

Notice is hereby given that the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Unalakleet Native Corporation will take place at the Aaron Paneok/Myles Gonganman Memorial Hall in Unalakleet, Alaska on 21st November 2009 at 10 a.m. for the following purposes:

- 1) Approval, additions or corrections to the minutes of the 2008 annual meeting.
- 2) Reports from the management and committee.
- 3) Introduction of the director of nominees and statements by nominees, if they wish.
- 4) Election of five (5) directors.
- 5) To transact such other business as may properly come before the meeting or any adjournment thereof.

Only stockholders of record as of 5 p.m. on 3rd October 2009 are entitled to vote at the meeting or any adjournment thereof. Stockholders are entitled to vote at the meeting in person. If you will **NOT** be able to attend the meeting in person, you are requested to fill in and sign the mailed proxy and return it to: Unalakleet Native Corporation, PO Box 247, Unalakleet, Alaska 99684, Attention: Proxy Committee. Proxies will be available at the time and place of the meeting and during the 30 days prior to the meeting at the corporation office in Unalakleet.

President: William Johnson  
CEO: Mark Johnson

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## NOME JOINT UTILITY SYSTEM

The Utility received additional fuel for power generation on the fall barge and the average inventory price per gallon has been recomputed.

Additionally, the Norton Sound Economic Development Corporation's Board of Directors voted to allow NJUS to participate in the NSEDC Fuel Program relative to the recent purchase. Under the program, NSEDC is providing the financing for the recent delivery at ZERO interest, saving NJUS in excess of \$70,000 it would otherwise pay for commercial financing.

As a result of the above items, in accordance with NJUS Tariff, Schedule D, the fuel surcharge has been recomputed. The Nome Joint Utility Board voted to implement a new surcharge rate effective immediately.

**For billings issued after November 10, the new surcharge rate is 16.98 cents per kilowatt hour, a reduction of 1.03 cents from the current rate of 18.01 cents.**

**On behalf of the residents of the community, the Nome Joint Utility Board expresses its appreciation to the Norton Sound Economic Development Corporation Board and Staff for allowing NJUS to participate in the fuel program, and the Board is pleased to be able to pass the resulting benefit on to all customers in the community.**

## • More All Around the Sound

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vention Center on Nov. 14 at 8 p.m. Award recipients are:

• **Consumer/Citizen Award: Gregg Nappi** — In recognition of his courageous and enduring act of skiing through the night and the next

morning to save a friend who had tumbled more than 1,000 feet during an ice climb in April 2009.

• **EMS Provider Award: Soren Threadgill** — In recognition of his vision, positive attitude and magnanimous heart in serving his commu-

nity, region and state. His work to improve patient outcomes from strokes will effect positive changes for years to come.

• **EMS Educator Award: Tom Vaden** — In recognition of his dedication and commitment to the cause of emergency service as the primary EMS trainer for the Norton Sound Region.

• **EMS Administrator Award: Charles Lean** — In recognition of his lifelong commitment as a leader, mentor, advisor, administrator and friend to the EMS system in the Norton Sound Region and throughout Alaska.

• **George H. Longenbaugh Memorial Award: Dr. Michael Levy** — In recognition of 20 years of service as a staunch supporter of pre-hospital and emergency medicine, and his dedication to public service ethics and the people of Alaska.

• **Outstanding Ambulance Service Award: Hoonah Emergency Medical Services** — In recognition of the staff's volunteer spirit, professionalism and long-term dedication to insuring that injured and ill residents and visitors receive the best emergency care.

• **Special Commendation: Matt Jones** — In recognition of his response to a 911 call while on duty as

an Unalaska police officer in February 2009. He quickly and efficiently applied his Automated External De-

fibrillator to a person having a heart attack and got a stable rhythm. The patient survived.



**WEDDING BELLS**—Arnold and Valarie Takak were happily married on Sep.23, at Shaktoolik Covenant Church.



## Public Notice

### Nome Public Schools Make-up Day

The make-up day for the weather related school closure on Wednesday, **November 11, 2009** will be on:

The vacation day presently designated for Monday, January 18, 2010 on the school calendar.

**Monday, January 18, 2010 will be a regular school day for students and staff.**

For questions, please call the NPS District Office at **443-2231**.

## Court

Week ending 11/13

### Civil

Capital One Bank (USA) N A vs. Alvanna, John J.; Debt - District Court

### Small Claims

Nanuaq Inc vs. Ahnangnatoguk, Dale; Small Claims More than \$2500 Cornerstone Credit Services LLC vs. Meadows, Bonnie L.; SC \$2500 or Less: 1 Deft. Cert Mail

Nome Public Schools vs. O'Connor, Connie; SC \$2500 or Less: 1 Deft. Cert Mail

Nome Public Schools vs. Iyapana Sr., Max; SC \$2500 or Less: 1 Deft. Cert Mail

Nome Public Schools vs. Iyatunguk, Lena; SC \$2500 or Less: 1 Deft. Cert Mail

Nome Public Schools vs. Bloodgood, Dolores; SC \$2500 or Less: 1 Deft. Cert Mail

Nome Public Schools vs. Hukill, B.R.; SC \$2500 or Less: 1 Deft. Cert Mail

### Criminal

State of Alaska v. William Alvanna (6/3/88); 2NO-08-38CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110062728; Violated conditions of probation; Probation terminated; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: All remaining time, consecutive to the term in Case No. 2NO-08-305; Shall report to AMCC by 4pm this date (11/9/09); Release or bail conditions remain in effect until defendant reports to serve sentence.

State of Alaska v. William Alvanna (6/3/88); 2NO-08-305CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 109525401; Violated conditions of probation; Probation terminated; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: All remaining time, consecutive to the term in Case No. 2NO-08-38; Shall report to AMCC by 4pm this date (11/9/09); Release or bail conditions remain in effect until defendant reports to serve sentence.

State of Alaska v. William Alvanna (6/3/88); 2NO-08-925CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110699658; Violated conditions of probation; No action taken; All other terms and conditions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect.

State of Alaska v. William Tate (4/20/87); 2NO-06-281CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 109063926; Violated conditions of probation; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 2 years, remanded into custody; Must pay suspended \$100 jail surcharge to the AGs Office, Anchorage; All other terms and conditions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect.

State of Alaska v. William Tate (4/20/87); 2NO-09-393CR Notice of Dismissal; Charge 001: Vehicle Theft 1; Filed by the DAs Office 11/9/09.

State of Alaska v. Sammy Amaktoolik (3/13/71); 2NO-05-532CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; Violated conditions of probation; Conditions of probation modified as follows: Shall successfully complete the sex offender treatment arising from the treatment assessment; Shall continue with his current substance abuse program and treatment; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: Time spent in custody; Approximately 36 days, not to exceed time served; All other terms and conditions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect.

State of Alaska v. Sammy Amaktoolik (3/13/71); 2NO-09-642CR Notice of Dismissal; Charge 001: Violation of Conditions of Release; Filed by the DAs Office 11/3/09.

State of Alaska v. Edward Kakarak (11/25/72); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110701053; Violated conditions of probation; Probation terminated; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 5 days, remanded into custody.

State of Alaska v. Kimberly Iyakitan (6/1/67); 2NO-09-232CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110701629; Violated conditions of probation; Probation terminated; Suspended jail term revoked and

imposed: All remaining time, consecutive to the term in Case No. 2NO-09-453CR; Remanded into custody.

State of Alaska v. Kimberly Iyakitan (6/1/67); 2NO-09-453CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110701629; Violated conditions of probation; Probation terminated; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: All remaining time, consecutive to the term in Case No. 2NO-09-232CR; Remanded into custody.

State of Alaska v. Kimberly Iyakitan (6/1/67); 2NO-09-578CR Violating Release Conditions; Partial Plea Agreement; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 30 days, 30 days suspended; Jail Surcharge: \$150 with \$100 suspended; Shall pay unsuspended \$50 within 10 days to: AGs Collections Unit, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation until 11/5/10; 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 request of any peace officer for alcohol; Participate in and complete recommended treatment and aftercare.

State of Alaska v. John A. Weyiouanna (7/5/73); Corrected Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 109060695; Violated conditions of probation; Probation terminated; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 120 days, shall report to AMCC by 8:30pm this date (10/30/09); Correction is to number of days revoked and imposed.

State of Alaska v. Ruby M. Topkok (11/28/61); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110003436; Violated conditions of probation; Conditions of probation modified as follows: Not to Enter Establishments were Alcohol is Sold or Served, No Alcohol in Residence, Commit No Criminal violations, Subject to Warrantless Breath Test and Search of Residence, Subject to Warrantless Arrest for Violations; All other terms and conditions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect.

State of Alaska v. Marvin Kulowiya Sr. (12/30/54); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 109525248; Violated conditions of probation; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 10 days, shall report to AMCC by 1/15/10; All other terms and conditions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect.

State of Alaska v. Charles Taxac (6/22/71); Notice of Dismissal; PTR filed on 11/9/09; Filed by the DAs Office 11/9/09.

State of Alaska v. Elizabeth M. Steve (5/13/66); Importation of Alcohol; Date of offense: 3/10/09; Binding Plea Agreement; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 45 days, 42 days suspended; Unsuspended 3 days have been served; Fine: \$1,500 with \$0 suspended; Shall pay unsuspended \$1,500 through Nome Trial Courts by 11/5/10; Forfeit alcohol and cash proceeds to State; Jail Surcharge: \$150 with \$100 suspended; Shall pay unsuspended \$50 within 10 days to: AGs Collections Unit, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation until 11/9/10; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Shall commit no violations of law; Shall not possess or consume alcohol in any dry or damp community, nor have alcohol in her residence; Subject to warrantless breath testing at request of any peace officer in such community; Person and baggage subject to warrantless search at any airport; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation.

State of Alaska v. Axel Odden (5/19/90); Theft 3<sup>rd</sup>; Date of offense: 8/23/09; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; Suspended Imposition of Sentence; Imposition of sentence is suspended; Defendant is placed on probation subject to terms, orders and conditions listed below; 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: Defendant has made restitution; Probation until 11/9/10; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Shall commit

no violations of law; Other: Complete 40 hours work service by 2/1/10 and show proof to court by 2/15/10.

State of Alaska v. Larry Kobuk, Jr. (6/15/81); 2NO-09-461CR DUI; Date of offense: 7/25/09; 180 days, 160 days suspended; Unsuspended sentence is consecutive to sentence in case 2NO-09-675CR; Remanded to custody; Fine: \$3,000, \$0 suspended; \$3,000 due 4/28/10; Payable to Clerk of Court; Police Training Surcharge: \$75 with \$0 suspended; \$75 due in 10 days; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case with \$0 suspended; \$50 due payable to Collections Unit, AGs Office, Anchorage; Suspended Jail Surcharge: \$100 per case with \$100 suspended; Cost of Imprisonment: \$1467 (2<sup>nd</sup> offense), \$0 suspended; Amount due: Full amount ordered payable to Collections Unit, AGs Office, Anchorage; Complete Substance Abuse Treatment Assessment: local ASAP within 2 months; Complete screening, evaluation and recommended program; Obey Driver's License Directives: Driver's license revoked for 1 year; Concurrent with DMV action; Use an Ignition Interlock Device: Cost of IID will be deducted from fine if you file proof of payment before fine due date; After you regain privilege to drive or obtain a limited license, you use an ignition interlock device (IID) as directed in the IID Information Sheet (CR-483) for all of your probation period; Probation for 1 year (date of Judgment: 10/28/09); Obey all direct court orders listed above by the deadlines stated; Commit no jailable offenses; Do not possess or consume alcohol; Other: Subject to warrantless breath testing at the request of any peace officer; Subject to warrantless arrest for violation of any condition of probation.

State of Alaska v. Larry Kobuk (6/15/81); 2NO-09-875CR Violation of Conditions of Release; Date of offense: 10/26/09; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; Police training surcharge due in 10 days: \$50 (Misd); Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; 45 days, 0 days suspended; Unsuspended 45 days are to be served consecutive to unsuspended sentence in 2NO-09-461CR and with the defendant remanded to custody.

State of Alaska v. Kenneth Smith (11/22/87); Drunken Person on Licensed Premises; Date of offense: 11/1/09; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 30 days, 30 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 1/6/10; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Shall commit no violations of law; Shall not possess or consume alcohol; Subject to warrantless breath testing at request of any peace officer; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation.

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 terminated; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: All remaining time; Remanded into custody.

State of Alaska v. Sabrina Slwooko (12/7/83); 2NO-09-677CR Criminal Trespass 1<sup>st</sup>; Date of offense: 10/29/09; Binding Plea Agreement; 5 days, 0 days suspended; Unsuspended 5 days shall be served with defendant remanded to AMCC consecutive to 2NO-08-727CR; 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. James Andrew Niksik, Sr. (1/28/59); Notice of Dismissal; PTR filed 11/2/09; Filed by the DAs Office 11/10/09.

State of Alaska v. Richard Emil Bowen (8/18/56); Dismissal; Count 1, charge 001: Misconduct Involving A Controlled Substance 4<sup>th</sup>; Filed by the DAs Office 11/10/09.

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# NSEDC loan, cheaper fuel to knock a few bucks off utility bills

By Sandra L. Medearis

Nome Joint Utility System was able to avoid paying 5 percent to 6 percent interest on a bank loan when the local community development quota fishing group agreed to let the utility into Norton Sound Economic Development Corp.'s village bulk fuel program.

The approximate reduction of \$7 to \$8 a month—the price of a gallon of milk in Nome—will begin with the bills hitting the mailboxes at the end of this month and affect all customers, commercial and residential.

NJUS will pay for fuel with a 12-month, interest-free loan of \$2.4 million with no fees to finance purchase of 1 million gallons of fuel this

fall. The NSEDC board approved the loan of nearly \$2.5 million in early November. NJUS approved the move at its Nov. 10 board meeting.

That stroke of fortune and a load of cheaper fuel this fall translates to a penny off the customer's fuel surcharge on electric bills. The fuel surcharge has dropped from 18.01 cents to 16.98 cents, John K. Handeland, NJUS's manager said Monday.

"The average value of inventory on hand dropped by 25 cents per gallon after the last barge delivery," Handeland said. Based on the number of kilowatts produced by a gallon and the reduction going through a consistent formula yields the saving.

Because NJUS has for some years belonged to the Western Alaska Fuel Group, a diesel fuel-buying consortium, the utility has not participated in the Norton Sound Economic Development Corp. program.

NJUS contacted Wells Fargo Bank for financing as they have done for the past 20 years, which Wells Fargo would provide—but the NJUS board of directors was not pleased with their initial verbal price quote in which the interest would fall between 5 percent to 6 percent (\$80,000 to \$90,000 based on the initial estimate of a loan of \$2.7 million).

Based on the actual cost affect on inventory when the fall 1.06 million gallons was loaded,

which was down in price, the necessary loan came to \$2.2 million that would cost \$70,000 to \$80,000 in interest per Wells Fargo's terms. The NJUS board asked Handeland to knock at NSEDC's fuel financing window to see whether NJUS could qualify for their village bulk fuel program.

Handeland said the transaction with NSEDC had the potential to open the door for future work with NSEDC to significantly improve the utility's bulk purchasing power.

"We look forward to exploring the possibility of NJUS participating in our bulk fuel program in the future," NSEDC's chief executive officer, Janis Ivanoff, said via e-mail.

## • Foster

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from throughout District 39. Largely made up of residents of Nome and Unalakleet, the committee forwarded the names of Sam Towarak Sr., Ralph "Weaver" Ivanoff and Foster to the governor Oct. 29.

Political observers from around the state had debated whether Foster would align with the minority Democrats or caucus with the Republicans—as his father and a handful of other rural Democratic House members have done. The House Democrats had made it clear to the District 39 selection committee, however, that they would not seat someone who would not pledge to caucus with them. The selection committee, in turn, informed the candidates.

During his interview before the committee in Nome Oct. 28, Foster said he was aware of the need to caucus with the Democrats in order to be confirmed. Additionally, he said he would align himself with the minority due to his political philosophy. "This is the Democratic party," he said at the time. "I've always been a Democrat. I've been registered [with the party] since I was 18."

The extra member in the minority affords the Democrats another seat

on the powerful House Finance Committee. Just who in the caucus will get that seat was not yet announced as of press time Tuesday. Aided by powerful committee assignments, the elder Foster was able to steer funding to his district. Neal Foster said he is hopeful he can keep the resources devoted to District 39 at their current level.

Following his swearing in Foster said his first task will be to contact each community in the district to establish a line of communication with leaders throughout the region. A large focus of the interview process by the selection committee in Nome was how to better represent the southern end of the district, which stretches all the way to Chevak.

Foster also said he plans to focus on resource development and jobs in the region, and to work to combat social issues like physical and sexual abuse, and suicide. He also noted a desire to deliver renewable energy projects to villages, citing his experience with Banner Wind, which placed 18 turbines in Nome.

Foster's seat will be up for election next fall. He indicated after his selection by the governor that he would be filing paperwork as soon as possible to run.



*Photo by Tyler Rhodes*

**CONGRATS—**Gloria Karmun offers her congratulations to Neal Foster after Gov. Sean Parnell announced his selection to fill his late father's seat in the Legislature Nov. 10 in Nome. Foster was sworn in Monday.

## • Storm

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cold to keep the snow coming without expected rain taking the stage as originally forecast.

For the first half of the month, the Nome area had the 10th snowiest November on record with 13.1 inches so far. In 1915, snow set a record with 31.5 inches coming down during the first half of November.

High water pushed west from the Bering Sea into Norton Sound bypassed western villages and piled up in the Unalakleet-Saint Michael area, according to Steiger.

Seawater came into the yards of half a dozen homes, but didn't flood the dwellings, he said.

Slushy ice collected as it rode toward shore and tempered the waves in Nome and Norton Sound, preventing damage.

"Slush ice moving in during a storm is protective and usually very helpful for the most part in dampen-

ing the high seas," Steiger explained.

Steve Ivanoff, Kawerak Inc.'s transportation planner in Unalakleet, said ice was a friend where village residents vacated some homes, just in case. "It started out worse than any other storm here until the slush came in and softened the waves. I had people and a loader buffering my home to divert the water around our house," Ivanoff said via e-mail Nov. 12. "Without the slush, we would have been in a world of hurt."

"What was interesting was the stars weren't aligned for a flood—high tide prediction was low and 12 hours away. We had about 20 homes evacuated into several buildings and homes. We even had pizza delivered free to the clinic where there were a lot of people staying," Ivanoff added. He said his office wouldn't be able to determine the full damage until the spring breakup of ice and snow.

Folks at Teller Clinic and Teller Traditional Council said the storm

had not caused flooding.

Nome waters registered at 5.5 feet high water, combining the

storm surge and the tides. "If the water comes up to six feet, we start worrying about Belmont

Point," Steiger said. "Eight to 10 feet and we worry about downtown Nome."

# Fire victim's family sues AMI

By Diana Haecker

The family of Jeff Martin, who perished in a house fire in Nome in October 2007, filed a lawsuit against his employer, Alaska Mechanical Inc., for negligence and punitive damages in excess of \$100,000.

Martin was a worker for AMI constructing the Rock Creek gold mine. As he was not from Nome, the company arranged for housing for him and others. According to the complaint filed in Nome Superior Court Oct. 29, AMI provided Martin with improper housing as

the house lacked adequate exits, fire prevention devices and was improperly sealed.

Martin was a victim of a blaze that broke out in the garage, where children had been playing with fire. The fire spread into the single-story home and quickly engulfed the entire house. Two other occupants managed to escape the blaze, but Martin was trapped inside and died in the fire. The lawsuit was filed by Fairbanks lawyer Jason Weiner on behalf Vicki Martin. The parties declined to comment.

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