



Photo by Nadja Roessek

GOING, GOING, GONE—People of all ages enjoy a warm evening at Nome's East Beach May 21 as the sea ice loses its last grip on the shore.

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## Too close to call

*Unofficial numbers have Karmun and Nickels keeping seats and McComas losing his. Timbers' and Payenna's fate unknown as of press time.*

By Tyler Rhodes

In a vote that many hoped would bring some closure to a rift that has been tearing at the community for months, uncertainty remained after initial tallies were counted at Tuesday's recall election for the entire Nome Board of Education.

With 27 ballots that were either questioned or otherwise unable to be counted left to tally as of press time Tuesday night, unofficial results showed that Board President Gloria Karmun and member Barb Nickels should retain their seats. If the unofficial numbers hold, Albert McComas will be recalled. The numbers for the remaining two members, Kirsten Timbers and Heather Payenna, were favoring recall but were ultimately too close to call for certain as of press time.

"Like I've said from the beginning, this is democracy in play and the majority rules. The people have spoken," Karmun said minutes after the tenta-

tive numbers were announced at Old St. Joe's Hall around 9 p.m. Tuesday.

Voters were essentially deadlocked on Timbers, with 475 voting to recall and 473 voting to keep her on the board. Payenna has a bit of a larger gap to overcome with 479 voting to recall and 467 voting to retain. The remaining ballots left to be counted as of Tuesday night could have kept both members in their seats.

Karmun received 491 votes to be retained and 447 to be recalled. Nickels received 578 to be retained and 360 to be recalled. McComas received 491 to be recalled and 463 to be retained. Even if all 27 outstanding ballots were to have been valid and in his favor, McComas would have still been one vote shy of dodging the recall.

Karmun, who was the sole board member to be at Old St. Joe's as the ballots were counted, said the wait-

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Photo by Nadja Roessek

**HONORED AND REMEMBERED**—Annie Blandford lights a luminaria in Anvil City Square as part of the Relay for Life held Saturday. The candles were lit to honor cancer survivors and remember those lost to the disease.

## Council approves schools' \$1.8 million request

*City council members also field requests for funding shooting range and bowling alley upgrades*

By Laurie McNicholas

The Nome Common Council allocated \$1.8 million of municipal funds to Nome Public Schools for FY 2011 during a meeting on Monday.

Slightly more than \$1 million of the funds are mandated by state law, and the City of Nome contributed an additional \$791,674.

This year the Nome Board of Education requested only \$67,000 more in additional funds than in FY 2010. Doug Boyer, assistant principal at Nome-Beltz High School told council members before they granted the budget request. He

said the funding will allow implementation of a new strategic plan for the district.

In other business, council members approved the first readings of two proposed ordinances and scheduled them for second readings, public hearings and final action at the next regular council meeting.

One of the proposed ordinances would authorize disposal of municipal property by lease to the U.S. Coast Guard to install two range marker lights for safe navigation of the entrance to the Nome harbor. The front range light would

be located in lot 64A, block 57 off Seppala Drive, and the rear range light would be placed on a parcel adjacent to West I Street between the Nome Cemetery and blocks 102 and 134.

The Coast Guard would lease approximately 400 square feet at each site for one year with 19 successive one-year leases at the Coast Guard's option. The property value of the two parcels is estimated at \$30,000. The Coast Guard would pay \$1 during the entire term of the lease. Councilman Stan Andersen requested detailed descriptions of the range marker lights, including

their size and the way their lights will function.

The other proposed ordinance would amend Chapter 11.50 of the Nome Code of Ordinances to adopt provisions required by the Federal Emergency Management Agency. The definition of "development" in Section 11.50.060 would be amended to read: "Development means any man-made change to improved or unimproved real estate, including but not limited to buildings or other structures, mining, dredging, filling,

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## Teachers' approval cements salary deal

By Tyler Rhodes

Nome's teachers put the final punctuation mark on salary negotiations between their union and the district when the majority of the district's educators approved a three-year deal last week.

The teachers' 40-5 approval vote came on the heels of a Nome Board of Education meeting held May 18 where it gave a unanimous blessing to the

agreement. Negotiators for the board and the Nome Education Association struck the mediated deal May 11 to give teachers a 2 percent raise next year, a 3 percent raise for 2011-2012 and a 2.5 percent increase in 2012-2013.

The agreement came after the two sides succeeded in establishing salaries for only the first year of a three-year contract last year. This most recent

round of salary negotiations started in January and initially aimed at squaring away figures for the next two years.

In two rounds of direct negotiations, the teachers held firm asking for a 7 percent raise spread out over the two years. The school district initially offered 1 percent each year and then came back with a 1.2 percent raise each year in the second round. The failure of

either side to offer significant ground in the direct negotiations spurred the entrance of the mediator in the process.

The federally funded mediator was able to hammer out the deal after one round of talks, adding one more year to the agreement. The new salary agreement will extend all other pro-

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Letters

Dear Editor,  
Title: Dopey Mushers  
ITC has reported that a couple Iditarod mushers have tested positive for THC. ITC will not disclose the identities of the two dopey mushers. The reason for this is because they are in the good old boy network receiving special privileges and double standards. You can take it to the bank, that if they were women, Natives or other minorities who tested positive on their drug test, ITC would hang them out to dry. This is not the right way, but the white way. It is ITC's different strokes, for different folks.  
The next thing that ITC does not have is drug-testing transparency for

the dogs on the trail. No one is allowed to see the drug test results. Why is that? How does anyone know that the dogs are in fact drug tested? The greyhound and sled dog committees in the lower 48 allow everyone to see their drug test results. How can dopey mushers provide human care for their dogs on the Iditarod Trail? It has always been said that some mushers hallucinate out on the Iditarod trail. Now we know why.  
John Suter, Iditarod musher from 1988, 89, 90 and 91  
Chugiak, AK 99567

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

Editorial

Fighting the Fight

Cancer is an insidious predator that impacts the lives of many of us in western Alaska. It attacks us from our environment, our living habits and our family tree. The American Cancer Society's Relay for Life event this past weekend in Nome made us aware of the wide spectrum of cancer and its far-reaching effects in our community. It touches all of us and the incidence of cancer in western Alaska is too high.  
Oh, cancer is a formidable beast but it can be beaten. It's a tough adversary, but as the years pass we make progress. Research into stem cells, DNA, chemistry, physiology and behavior modification has made an impact on our treatment of cancer. Both private and government sponsored research are part of the battle plan, and this takes dedication, skill and money. We have to dig down into our pockets and pull up some bucks for research. We can do this. We can come together as a community and even in these tough economic times Nomeites can come through and give our time and money.  
This past week Nomeites got together and proved that we could do the Relay for Life fundraiser and have fun while we were doing it.  
—N.L.M.—

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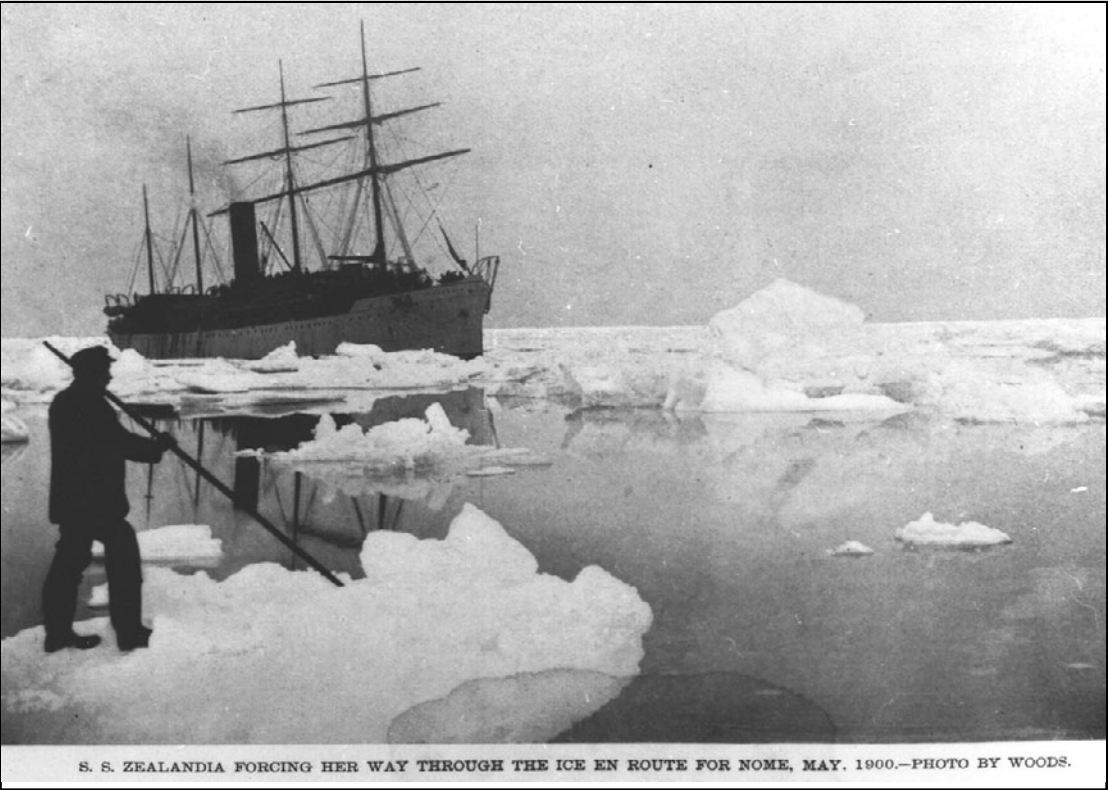
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A Look at the Past



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**IT'S ALMOST HERE** — The S.S. Zealandia picks her way through the ice floes as she approaches Nome in May 1900. That year was the height of the Nome Gold Rush which brought 20,000 people to our golden beaches. Note the anxious load of passengers on deck and one extremely excited Nomeite welcoming them on ice.



Photo by Nadja Roessek  
**IT'S GONE**—Ice has broken loose and the mouth of the Snake River is clear. This photo was taken May 21.

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Sunset	05/27/10	12:57 a.m.	Peak Wind	28 mph, W, 5/24/10	
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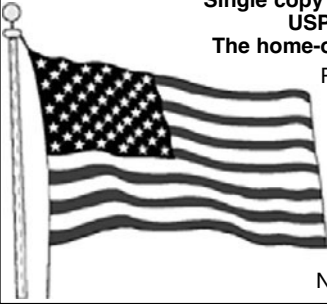

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Alaska State News Briefs

Compiled by Diana Haecker

Red Dog gets permit to expand mine

The Army Corps of Engineers last week issued a permit to Teck Cominco's Red Dog Mine that allows the mining company to proceed with the development of a new pit called the Aqqaluk deposit. Teck Alaska has the necessary permits and authorizations in place to develop Aqqaluk. However, Red Dog is out of compliance for water discharge limits. The company said it is a limit on total dissolved solids and cannot feasibly be met through any existing treatment technology at the volumes being discharged. If the mine stays out of compliance it could face actions from the Environmental Protection Agency. The water discharge issue has no bearing on the development of Aqqaluk. Red Dog is a zinc, lead and silver mine northwest of Kotzebue and developed on NANA regional corporation land. The mine employs more than 500 workers.

Bills continue to pile up on Governor's desk

Last week, legislators were still working on passing bills. While Governor Sean Parnell still has not signed the capital budget – or made public which projects got struck – the House passed a concurrent resolution to speed up the in-state gas line. Rep. Jay Ramras (R-Fairbanks) sponsored the bill that asked the state to assist the project to secure needed permits, rights-of-way, engineering specifications and in all other ways to act in due haste to move the in-state natural gas pipeline to a construction phase. Another House action sponsored by Rep. Mike Hawker asked the governor to exercise all legal options to restrain the United States Department of the Interior and the National Park Service, from intruding on the sovereign right of the state to exercise jurisdiction over navigable water and submerged land. The House Resources committee also sponsored a bill to support mining and processing of rare earth elements in Alaska and to stockpile them. Rare earth elements are used for military applications as well as green technologies. According to the

bill's sponsor Rep. Craig Johnson (R-District 28) "you can't go green without good old fashioned mining" and the resolution's purpose is to urge the United States Congress to pass H.R. 4866, to restart the rare earth mining industry in the US.

Senators seek to kill duck stamps

Irking subsistence hunters Alaska wide, the US Fish and Wildlife Service said it would enforce the law that requires subsistence hunters to purchase and carry duck stamps when hunting or gathering the eggs of bird. Last week, Senators Lisa Murkowski and Mark Begich introduced legislation that would eliminate the need to buy duck stamps. The Murkowski/Begich bill would amend the Fish and Wildlife Improvement Act of 1978 to remove this requirement on Alaskans who take birds or eggs for subsistence purposes. The senators called the law overly burdensome and argued that if exemptions are made for crops or population management, then exception could also be made to protect traditional ways of Native life.

The bill is on its way to the Environment and Public Works Committee.

Little girl mauled

NAPASKIAK(AP)— Authorities say a three-year-old girl has been killed by a dog in the village of Napaskiak in southwest Alaska. Alaska State Troopers say Krystal Brink wandered into a dog yard last week and was mauled. According to troopers, the girl had been playing outside a home with other children. The dog's owner had his dog team tied up when she wandered into the yard. In response to the mauling, a member of Brink's family became upset and shot all seven dogs tied in the yard. Brink's body was sent to Anchorage for an autopsy. The girl and her family were visiting from Kasigluk.

MMS director apologizes for faux pas

In response to a New York Times story revealing that the Alaska office of the Minerals Management Service suppressed scientists and scientific

reports, violated environmental policies, and served a cake topped with the words "Drill Baby, Drill," the head of the office yesterday apologized...for the cake. Alaska Regional Director John Goll allowed the cake to be served at an all-staff meeting he called to discuss Interior Secretary Ken Salazar's decision to reform the agency in the wake of the Gulf oil spill disaster and a rapidly growing scandal caused by what President Obama describes as the agency's "too cozy" relationship with the offshore oil industry.

The head of MMS's Alaska region since 1997, Goll recently approved Shell Alaska's plan to begin exploratory drilling in the Beaufort and Chukchi Seas this July. Goll said in the email that the "drill, baby, drill" was meant to take light of the words. His e-mail said, "This was simply wrong to have. I failed in preventing this from happening in my office."

Aquaculture hearing held in Anchorage

The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration held a listening session in Anchorage last week to hear input from Alaskans regarding a new national aquaculture policy. In testimony, state officials voiced concerns about maintaining protection of wild stocks and avoiding environmental damage. They also warned of potential economic harm to fishery-dependent communities should offshore aquaculture be authorized on a broad scale. Governor Parnell led the slew of officials to request a moratorium on new offshore aquaculture. The state is requesting that coastal states have the



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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

May 27 - June 2, 2010

EVENT PLACE TIME

Thursday, May 27

*Tennis	Nome Rec Center	5:30 a.m. - 7 a.m.
*High School Practice	Pool	6:30 a.m. - 7:30 a.m.
*NACTEC Classes	Pool	8 a.m. - 10 a.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	7 a.m. - noon
<b>NSHC Full Board Meeting</b>	<b>Pioneer Hall</b>	<b>9 a.m.</b>
*Preschool Story Hour	Kegoyah Library	10 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.
*Lap Swim	Pool	11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.
*Tennis	Nome Rec Center	noon - 2 p.m.
*14 Steps to Better Breastfeeding video	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	2 p.m. - 4 p.m.
*Strength Training with Robin	Nome Rec Center	4:15 p.m. - 5:15 p.m.
*Feeding Your Child 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.
<b>Free Public Lecture</b>	<b>NEC Trigg Hall</b>	<b>6 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.</b>
*Water Aerobics	Pool	6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.
*City League Volleyball	Nome Rec Center	6:30 p.m. - 10 p.m.
*Swing Dancing with Seiji	Nome Rec Center	7 p.m. - 8 p.m.
*Thrift Shop	Methodist Church	7 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. ONLY

Friday, May 28

*Pick-up Basketball	Nome Rec Center	5:30 a.m. - 7 a.m.
*Lap Swim	Pool	6 a.m. - 7:15 a.m.
*NACTEC Classes	Pool	8 a.m. - 10 a.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	7 a.m. - 10 a.m.
<b>NSHC Full Board Meeting</b>	<b>Pioneer Hall</b>	<b>9 a.m.</b>
*Kindergym	Nome Rec Center	10 a.m. - noon
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	noon - 4 p.m.
*CAMP class	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*Denali-Medicaid Kid Care class	Prematernal Home	2 p.m.
*Beginning Ballet 5-9 years old	Nome Rec Center	3 p.m. - 4 p.m.
*Soccer Grades 1-2	Nome Rec Center	4 p.m. - 5 p.m.
*Soccer Grades 3-5	Nome Rec Center	5 p.m. - 6 p.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	6 p.m. - 8 p.m.
*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.
*Adult Drop-in Soccer	Nome Rec Center	8 p.m. - 10 p.m.

Saturday, May 29

*UMW Thrift Shop	Methodist Church	11 a.m. - 1 p.m.
<del>*Open Gym</del>	<del>Nome Rec Center</del>	<del>noon - 8 p.m.</del>
<del>*Weight Room Circuit Training</del>	<del>Nome Rec Center</del>	<del>12:20 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.</del>
*Water Aerobics	Pool	1 p.m. - 2 p.m.
*Labor and Delivery for Teens video	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*Family Swim	Pool	2 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.
*Open Swim	Pool	3:30 p.m. - 5 p.m.
*The Stages of Labor video	Prematernal Home	4:30 p.m.
*Lap Swim	Pool	5 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
<del>*Advanced Baton with Jay</del>	<del>Nome Rec Center</del>	<del>7 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.</del>
<b>*Nome Rec Center will be closed on weekends</b>		

Sunday, May 30

*Nutrition by Angie Gorn	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
<del>*Open Gym</del>	<del>Nome Rec Center</del>	<del>2 p.m. - 10 p.m.</del>
*Making a Difference: Prenatal Care video	Prematernal Home	4:30 p.m.

Monday, May 31

<del>*Pick-up Basketball</del>	<del>Nome Rec Center</del>	<del>5:30 a.m. - 7 a.m.</del>
<del>*Lap Swim</del>	<del>Pool</del>	<del>6 a.m. - 7:15 a.m.</del>
<del>*NACTEC Classes</del>	<del>Pool</del>	<del>8 a.m. - 10 a.m.</del>
<del>*Open Gym</del>	<del>Nome Rec Center</del>	<del>7 a.m. - 10 a.m.</del>
<del>*Kindergym</del>	<del>Nome Rec Center</del>	<del>10 a.m. - noon</del>
<del>*Open Gym</del>	<del>Nome Rec Center</del>	<del>noon - 6:30 p.m.</del>
*Great Expectations Pregnancy Program video	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
<del>*Beginning Yoga with Kari</del>	<del>Nome Rec Center</del>	<del>4:15 p.m. - 5:15 p.m.</del>
*Essentials of Discipline: Middle Years video	Prematernal Home	4:30 p.m.
<del>*Water Aerobics</del>	<del>Pool</del>	<del>6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.</del>
<del>*City League Volleyball</del>	<del>Nome Rec Center</del>	<del>6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.</del>
<del>*Tae Kwon Do with Master Dan</del>	<del>Nome Rec Center</del>	<del>6:45 p.m. - 8:45 p.m.</del>
*AA Meeting	Lutheran Church (rear)	8 p.m.
<b>Trinh's Spa &amp; Nails sale ends</b>	<b>307 West C Street</b>	<b>7 p.m.</b>

Tuesday, June 1

*Tennis	Nome Rec Center	5:30 a.m. - 7 a.m.
*NACTEC Classes	Pool	8 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	7 a.m. - noon
*Preschool Story Hour	Kegoyah Library	10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.
*Lap Swim	Pool	11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.
*Tennis	Nome Rec Center	noon - 2 p.m.
*Having Your Baby video	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	2 p.m. - 4 p.m.
*Junior Lifeguard	Pool	4 p.m. - 5 p.m.
*Strength Training with Robin	Nome Rec Center	4:15 p.m. - 5:15 p.m.
*Bathing and Diapering 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.
*Open Gym	Pool	6:30 p.m. - 8 p.m.
*City League Volleyball	Nome Rec Center	6:30 p.m. - 10 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, June 2

*Pick-up Basketball	Nome Rec Center	5:30 a.m. - 7 a.m.
*Lap Swim	Pool	6 a.m. - 7:15 a.m.
*NACTEC Classes	Pool	8 a.m. - 10 a.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	7 a.m. - 10 a.m.
*Kindergym	Nome Rec Center	10 a.m. - noon
*Rotary Club	Airport Pizza	noon - noon
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	noon - 10 p.m.
*ACSA Swimming	Pool	noon - 2 p.m.
*Audiology Class	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*The Joys of Stress video	Prematernal Home	4:30 p.m.
<b>Public Open House</b>	<b>Old St. Joe's Hall</b>	<b>5 p.m. - 7 p.m.</b>
*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.
<b>Nome Planning Commission Reg Mtg</b>	<b>Council Chambers</b>	<b>7:30 p.m.</b>
<b>Nome Trading Company sale ends</b>	<b>1008 East Front Street</b>	<b>11 p.m.</b>

<b>Community points of interest hours of operation:</b>		
Carrie McLain Memorial Museum	Front Street	noon - 5:30 p.m. (Tu - F) 1 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. (Sa)
Library Hours	Kegoyah Library	additional hours by appointment noon - 8 p.m. (M - Th) noon - 6 p.m. (F - Sa)
Nome Visitor Center	Front Street	9 a.m. - 5 p.m. (M - F)
Northwest Campus Library	Northwest Campus	2 p.m. - 9 p.m. (M - Th) 1 p.m. - 5 p.m. (Sa)
XYZ Center	Center Street	8 a.m. - 4 p.m. (Tu - F)



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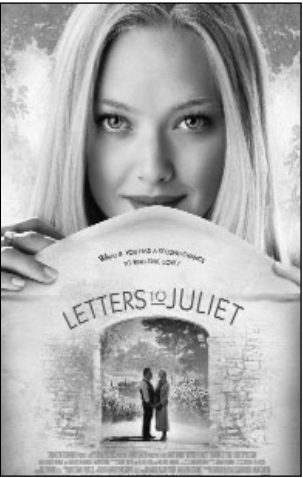
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Photo by Nadja Roessek



Congratulations to all the **2010** graduating classes of the Bering Straits region for their academic achievements.

It is the mission of BSNC to improve the quality of life of our people through economic development while protecting our land, and preserving our culture and heritage.

**From the Bering Straits Native Corporation board of directors**

**BREAKING UP ON THE SNAKE**—The Snake River has begun freely flowing as pictured here on Friday.

## On the road: DOT makes progress clearing area roads

It's spring and Nomeites' hearts turn to their love of the wide-open spaces and going for a drive to see what can be seen.

The Alaska Department of Transportation has issued a road opening update.

- The Council Road is open. There is water running down the old part of the road, but the state crew is continuing to work on the road. The DOT advises the use of caution when driving around the workers and the heavy equipment.

- As of Monday the Kougarok

Road was open to Mile 85. There are washouts at Mile 62 and Mile 73. Four-wheel drive is recommended. The state crew continues to work on the road and recommends that drivers use caution around the work crew and equipment.

- The Bob Blodgett Nome-Teller Highway is open.

- The Glacier Creek Road is open to Mile 17. The road is very soft and four-wheel drive is recommended.

The DOT reports that all roads are soft and ratty with potholes and minor washouts.

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authority to determine the extent to which aquaculture will be allowed off their shores and that congressional authorization be secured before offshore aquaculture can proceed.

### Democrats say sign budget first, fundraise later

The Alaska Democratic Party drafted an open letter to Governor Sean Parnell, saying he further erodes public faith in the office as he mentions the capital budget of \$3.1 billion at private fundraisers for his gubernatorial election campaign. Chair Patti Higgins said in the letter that while it is not illegal, it is improper that voters have only limited opportunity to interact with Parnell as he's still mulling the budget, while donors and fundraisers have access to him to lobby for their projects. Higgins urged Parnell to stop holding fundraisers until the budget has passed, to release the names of people who attended fundraisers and to return the money raised from donors who are beneficiaries of the capital budget.



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• Council

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grading, paving, excavation or drilling operation or storage equipment or materials located within the area of the flood hazard.” Section 5.10.050(b) would be amended to read: “A flood-plain development permit is required for any development in an area of special flood hazard as defined in Section 11.50.060.”

The council adopted a resolution setting the compensation for election personnel for the 2010 Nome Municipal School Board Special Recall Election at \$10 per hour for the election chair and \$9.50 per hour for election clerks.

The council approved the appointment of Campbell Kristenson to the Nome Port Commission, as requested by Mayor Denise Michels. Kristenson is employed by Crowley Petroleum Distribution and has resided in Nome for 30 years.

Michels drew attention to a communication from the U.S. Postal Service announcing that Savoonga was selected as a designated postal mail hub on May 1 following a one-year public notice period. Savoonga was removed from the Nome regional hub and became an additional hub in the region. Gambell was reassigned from the Nome hub as a destination to be served out of the new hub at Savoonga.

**Draft 2011 budget reviewed**

Controller Cussy Kauer presented an overview of the City’s draft FY 2011 general fund budget to council members in an hour-long work session Monday preceding their regular meeting. Following are several options she outlined for the council to consider.

Noting that a budget line item titled Nome Joint Utilities-PILOT for \$250,000 is the same from year to year, Kauer asked whether council members want to consider changes in the allocation. Councilwoman

Mary Knodel proposed using part of the NJU PILOT funds to give volunteers for the fire and ambulance departments who plug in their vehicles at home during cold periods a \$100 per month credit on their utility bill to thank them for their service.

Kauer estimated that volunteer fire and ambulance crews number about 60 individuals, adding that some of them may serve on both forces. She asked Knodel how many months each volunteer would receive a utility bill credit. Knodel noted that Nome is cold for about six months of the year. Councilman Stan Andersen said it would be simpler to pay the volunteers than to reimburse them by crediting their utility bills.

Revenues from landfill maintenance fees have increased this year because the landfill has collected a lot more tariffs for soils disposal, Kauer reported. Noting that construction of the new hospital and the removal of contaminated soils and towers at the former Anvil Mountain White Alice site will produce large quantities of debris, she asked whether construction contractors can contribute in any way except landfill fees. Public Works personnel have suggested that a bulldozer would be useful at the landfill, she added.

Kauer suggested that council members consider whether to continue renting the child care building (Gold Hill Tutit Ininat) or sell it for the assessed value. The building’s tenants pay \$90,000 per year in rent, but the City gains only \$20,000 after operating costs are deducted, she noted. Kauer said the tenants are talking about remodeling the building and have cited water temperature issues. If the tenants were to buy the building, they would save money in the long run, and proceeds from the sale might benefit the City more than \$20,000 in annual rental profits, she added.

Police Chief John Papasodora would like to add an administrative as-

sistant to his staff as part of the move to the new public safety building, Kauer noted. She said the police department wants two new vehicles at a cost of about \$40,000 each, and if they are approved a couple of current police vehicles will become excess property. The animal control officer has her eye on one of them, she added.

The council received three requests by letter and e-mail to include funds for specific purposes in the City’s FY 2011 budget. A request from Lance Johnson, director of the Nome Community Center for \$10,000 for the Nome Food Bank made it into the draft budget. Bruce Klein, treasurer of the Nome Sportsman Association, asked the City for \$25,000 to help develop the Sunset Firing Range, but his request was received too late to include in the draft budget. Nome businessman Matt Tomter asked the council to budget funds to repair, upgrade and operate the bowling alley at the Nome Recreation Center.

During the meeting on Monday, Tomter noted that the council wants a request for proposals to operate the bowling alley. “I doubt it is commercially viable or it would not have been operated by the City in the first place,” he said. “Ask the people at the Rec Center to show you how they can do it.”

Nome residents Lisa Wehde, Mari Lammer, Robin and Doug Johnson, Mike Quinn, Paul Kosto and Jim Adams also asked the council to provide funds to reopen and operate the bowling alley.

Steve Smith, president of the Nome Sportsman Association, told council members his group needs \$25,000 to develop the Sunset Firing Range after they receive permission from the landowners, Bering Straits Native Corp. Andersen said the association needs to explain what it did with \$5,000 from the City’s current budget. Smith said three shooting benches and a target board have been

installed and funds have been allocated for a 40-foot storage van.

Smith called on Klein as treasurer to provide more details. Klein said the association has purchased \$2 million of liability insurance and expects to buy a container van after it arrives in Nome from Seattle. Smith said shooting lanes need to be reoriented 90 degrees to point away from fuel storage tanks.

In his letter to the council, Klein said the association wants to increase the number of shooting lanes from one to four, varying in length from 50 yards to 200 yards. “The funding would help with the rental of dozer equipment, fuel, gravel and building enclosed target shelters,” he added.

“You need a 10-year business plan,” Andersen said.

Klein said the National Rifle Association is willing to donate \$25,000 per year to the association if it has a 10-year lease agreement on land used for the firing range.

Andersen told Klein he has two to three weeks to prepare a funding proposal for the City’s FY 2011 budget. Councilman Jerald Brown asked that \$25,000 for the firing range be included in the next revision of the draft budget. He also requested cost estimates for the proposed bowling alley upgrade and operation.

The council agreed to meet June 11 at noon for a follow-up work session on the FY 2011 general fund budget. All council members except Jon Larson attended the meeting.

**Upcoming events**

The Bering Strait Leadership Team will host a public reception for Congressman Don Young, Lori Hamamoto, Katherine Gottlieb, Dr. Ted Mala and Dr. Marjorie Mau June 1 from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at the Pioneer Hall. For more information, call Pamela Cushman at 443-4322.

The Department of Transportation and Public facilities is seeking public

input on two projects at the Nome Airport—a master plan to guide development of the airport for the next 20 years and a runway safety area expansion project. DOTPF personnel will provide updates on the project and take public input at an open house June 2 from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. at Old St. Joseph’s Hall. Presentations will begin at 5:30 p.m.

Knodel asked Michels whether the City has told DOTPF it does not favor an alternative to move the Snake River as part of the runway expansion project.

“Yes,” Michels replied.

“We don’t want them to move the Snake River because there goes the small boat harbor and the port entrance,” Knodel said. “They have survey people here talking about rerouting the river.”

DOTPF Commissioner Leo von Scheben and members of his staff plan to discuss Nome’s proposed new state office building on June 9 from 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. in the City Hall council chambers, Michels said. Bering Straits Native Corp. officials recently sent a letter to von Scheben asking him to meet with Nome’s residents, businesses and institutions about the department’s decision to purchase new office building property away from downtown Nome.

The Northwestern Alaska Career and Technical Center will host a recognition ceremony to honor the late Rep. Richard Foster for his service and hard work in support of vocational education for rural Alaskans June 7 from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. at NACTEC House.

The City of Nome received an invitation to attend a decommissioning ceremony for the U.S. Coast Guard LORAN Station at Port Clarence June 17 at noon. A reception will follow the ceremony. For more information, contact the Coast Guard at (907) 642-3844, ext. 264 or by e-mail at [www.Scott.R.Stender@usgs.mil](mailto:www.Scott.R.Stender@usgs.mil).

LEPC

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**BURNING OIL (left)**—A May 6 photo taken from the U.S. EPA's Airborne Spectralphotometric Environmental Collection Technology aircraft shows an open-water oil burn in the Gulf of Mexico. The environmental disaster has spurred an effort by Alaska tribal groups to call for a halt to drilling in Arctic waters.

**CLEANUP CREW (above)**—Crewmembers for a Louisiana-based boat work to clean mud off of oil booms to be deployed by their boss's boat May 13. The ability to clean up an oil spill in the Arctic has been a point of contention between oil companies and tribal groups.

## Tribal governments call to stop exploratory drilling

*Massive Gulf of Mexico spill prompts tribal entities to ask for halting of Chukchi, Beaufort projects*

By Diana Haecker

In response to the unfolding environmental disaster in the Gulf of Mexico caused by the unchecked flow of crude oil from a deep-sea oil well, the Native village of Point Hope IRA and other Alaska tribal governments sent off letters asking Secretary of the Interior Ken Salazar to call off offshore oil exploration in the Chukchi and Beaufort seas.

The letter says that drilling in the Beaufort and Chukchi seas this summer would be an "irresponsible gamble with our precious natural resources."

The resistance comes as Shell

Oil is readying drill ships and support vessels to be sent to the Chukchi Sea and the Beaufort Sea to begin exploratory drilling for oil and gas this summer.

The Alaska Intertribal Council, a tribally governed nonprofit organization that advocates in support of tribal governments throughout the state, has thrown its weight behind the call from the Point Hope IRA to press Salazar to stop all OCS drilling. The AITC had in the past also passed resolutions opposing offshore drilling and protecting the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge 1002 area from drilling.

Earlier this month, the village of Point Hope IRA had asked for support from other Alaska Native tribal governments to halt offshore continental shelf exploration and drilling. The letter says, "As a unified front, we call for a halt to all exploratory drilling in the Arctic until the government has answers about what happened to the Deepwater Horizon exploratory drill rig and can guarantee that no such catastrophe could happen in our garden, the Arctic Ocean."

According to Brad Garness, AITC executive director, the organization's fax machines are full

with letters coming back signed from tribal governments, including the village of White Mountain, Little Diomed IRA, Shishmaref IRA, the Gwichin and Kongiganak Traditional Council. Garness told *The Nome Nugget* that the letter is more than just a comment to Salazar. "This is not a comment, it's our lives that are at stake here," he said.

In the wake of the Deepwater Horizon explosion and the uncontrolled oil spill that keeps on spewing into the Gulf of Mexico, Secretary Salazar had conceded that there is shared responsibility be-

tween government, the Minerals Management Service, and the oil and gas industry. He also proposed to divide the roles of MMS by splitting its regulatory function from the revenue-collecting arm.

Meanwhile, Congress tries to find out in hearings what went wrong and senators and government officials flock to Louisiana to tour the disaster sites and to get firsthand looks at the oil contamination reaching shorelines. Alaska Sen. Lisa Murkowski said that she had introduced a measure to in-

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## UAF to study king salmon declines on Yukon, Kuskokwim

By Laurie McNicholas

Scientists at the University of Alaska Fairbanks will begin a two-year study of the declines and variability in king salmon runs on the Yukon and Kuskokwim river systems this summer, reports the UAF School of Fisheries and Ocean Sciences.

The study does not include rivers systems in the Norton Sound region.

"The project contains multiple components, all focused on the health and ecology of freshwater king salmon runs and how these factors affect annual returns," states a press release from the SFOS. "One aspect will examine how king salmon grow during their freshwater phase and how growth affects survival to the age of reproduction. Another component will study how infection by a parasite called 'Ichthyophonus' affects the health of freshwater-run king salmon. Although not harmful to humans, Ichthyophonus attacks the organs of the fish and causes reduced endurance and ability to spawn."

"The Ichthyophonus part of the study will look at Yukon River salmon, especially looking at Tanana River king salmon," added Carin Stephens, SFOS information officer in an e-mail response to questions from *The Nome Nugget*. "The growth component of the study will take place on four river systems, two from the Yukon River system (the Andreafsky River and the Chena River) and two from the Kuskokwim River system (the Kwethluk River and the Kotrugluk River)."

The Pollock Conservation Cooperative Research Center, which is part of the SFOS, provided \$435,000 for the project, according to the SFOS press release. Led

by professor Milo Adkison and assistant professor Larissa Dehn, the study includes a consortium of UAF fisheries faculty members from both Fairbanks and Juneau. Assistant professor Megan McPhee received \$180,000 in matching funds from the Alaska Sustainable Salmon Fund to augment the study.

The PCCRC is funded by the Pollock Conservation Cooperative, a group of Bering Sea pollock catcher/processor companies. PCC companies include American Seafoods Co., Arctic Storm, Glacier Fish Co., Starbound and Trident Seafoods Corp. Norton Sound Economic Development Corp.,

which represents 15 Bering Strait communities in the Western Alaska Community Development Program, owns 37.5 percent of Glacier Fish Co. The PCC has donated more than \$10 million to UAF over the last 10 years.

"The fishing industry is greatly concerned about recent declines in Western Alaska salmon abundance," said Denis Wiesenburg, dean of the SFOC and director of the research center. "As a result, the PCCRC decided to direct significant funding this year to meaningful, focused research into the causes of these declines."

The PCCRC annually awards grants to University of Alaska fac-

ulty members and other scientists to study North Pacific marine and coastal ecosystems, fisheries and marine mammals, according to the

SFOS press release. This year, the center requested that proposals address issues of salmon health, ecology and migration.

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## Opinion

# Plan prioritizes commercial pollock over subsistence salmon

*Editor's note: The following is a press release from the Association of Village Council Presidents, Bering Sea Fishermen's Association, Kawerak Inc., Tanana Chiefs Conference and Yukon River Drainage Fisheries Association.*

Secretary of Commerce Gary Locke approved a plan proposed by the North Pacific Fishery Management Council to manage Chinook salmon bycatch in the Bering Sea pollock fishery on May 19. The plan, called Amendment 91, allows the pollock fishery to catch up to 47,591 Chinook salmon in any year, and up to 60,000 Chinook salmon in any two out of seven years without penalty if they participate in an industry run "incentive plan."

Groups throughout Western Alaska endorsed a lower cap including the Association of Village Council Presidents (AVCP), the Alaska Federation of Natives, Tanana Chiefs Conference (TCC), Kawerak, the Western and Eastern Interior Regional Subsistence Advisory Councils, the Federal Subsistence Board, the Alaska Board of Fisheries, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, the U.S. Department of State and the Yukon River Panel.

"Amendment 91 completely ignores the unanimous recommendations from across Western Alaska for a cap of around 30,000 Chinook salmon," said Myron Naneng, AVCP president. "Western Alaskan tribes as well as those responsible for managing our fisheries in-river spoke loudly and clearly, but our requests fell on deaf ears to both the Council and the Secretary of Commerce."

The Bering Sea pollock fishery catches Chinook salmon as bycatch while fishing for pollock. These are the same salmon whose return we await each year, including those from the Yukon and Kuskokwim Rivers, Bristol Bay and Norton Sound, as well as Cook Inlet and the Pacific Northwest. These salmon cannot be retained by the pollock fishery and therefore must

*"It's irresponsible to leave the management of our precious salmon resources to an industry that just a few years ago, when regulatory measures were relaxed, caught over 120,000 Chinook salmon in one year."*

— Loretta Bullard, Kawerak president

either be thrown back into the water—dead after hours in the nets—or saved for donation to food banks. In 2007, the pollock fishery caught over 120,000 Chinook salmon as bycatch, in contrast to the 10-year average (1997-2006) of 43,328. According to recent estimates over 50 percent of the Chinook salmon caught as bycatch are bound for Western Alaska.

Low returns of Chinook salmon throughout Western Alaska have caused severe economic distress in recent years as subsistence harvests are restricted and small commercial fisheries are eliminated. The Yukon River Chinook salmon fishery was declared a fishery disaster for the 2008 and 2009 seasons by the Secretary of Commerce. "It is beyond unjust that the pollock fish-

ery will be allowed to continue catching Chinook salmon virtually without limits offshore while in-river families sit on the banks watching their food and income swim by," said Becca Robbins Gislair, policy director for the Yukon River Drainage Fisheries Association. "This conservation burden should not be borne by rural residents, commercial and sport fishers alone."

The 60,000 upper limit approved in Amendment 91 has only been exceeded three times in the past 18 years, and essentially preserves the status quo. Even the 47,591 cap in essence preserves the long-term average bycatch. "Amendment 91 does little more than preserve the pollock fishery's current bycatch numbers," said Karen Gillis, executive director of the Bering

Sea Fishermen's Association. "The Council and National Marine Fisheries Service missed an opportunity and their obligation to actually reduce bycatch, not just put the current numbers in regulation. All that has been accomplished here is to put the current numbers in regulation."

Amendment 91 relies on a system of industry run incentive plans to reduce bycatch below the stated cap levels. However, the plans operate outside of Council/agency control with no guarantees of bycatch reduction. The plans have changed already from what was presented to the Council when they voted to approve Amendment 91 last April.

"By relying on industry incentive plans as the primary means of bycatch reduction, the Council and NMFS have once again allowed industry to self regulate," said Loretta Bullard, president of Kawerak. "We've seen how well this has worked for the banking and oil industries. It's irresponsible to leave the management of our precious salmon resources to an industry that just a few years ago, when regulatory measures were relaxed, caught over 120,000 Chinook salmon in one year."

A coalition of Western Alaska groups had asked the Secretary to reject Amendment 91 because it did not meet NMFS's legal requirements to reduce bycatch, nor the needs of subsistence users, nor the United States' obligations under the Yukon River Salmon Agreement, an international treaty with Canada.

"In approving Amendment 91, the Obama Administration has chosen to prioritize the economic interests of the pollock fishery over the needs of salmon users throughout the state," said Jerry Isaac, TCC president. "In doing so they've ignored an overwhelming message from Alaska's tribal governments that the bycatch reduction measures of Amendment 91 will not provide our people and Chinook salmon populations with the protection they need and deserve. This is a very sad day for our Chinook salmon and the people who depend on them."

## News

## • Drilling

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crease the liability cap of oil companies. In an interview with this reporter, she said that different formulas are in discussion. Among them are taxing the profits from the four last consecutive quarters of a company. Another model would give the president the power to set a liability cap taking different risk factors into account.

The Interior Department said last week that offshore drilling decisions about permitting are on hold until at least the end of May. Shell Oil's proposals to the MMS were to drill up to three exploration wells in the

Chukchi Sea and two exploration wells in Camden Bay in the Beaufort Sea this summer.

The MMS estimates that the Chukchi Sea holds 15 billion barrels of recoverable oil and 76 trillion cubic feet of natural gas. Only five exploration wells have ever been drilled there. Shell spent \$84 million in 2005 and 2007 buying MMS leases in the Beaufort, and in 2008 spent \$2.1 billion for exploration rights in the Chukchi Sea. On its website Shell lays out its spill response research and goes as far as saying that ice could actually help in containing a spill. Shell said that international scientists work-

ing under a Norwegian Institute spent two weeks in May 2009 in the pack ice in the Norwegian Barents Sea to study the behavior of oil spills in Arctic waters, and to test various response options in realistic oil-in-ice conditions. Shell maintains that those field tests demonstrated that ice-infested seas could actually be helpful in confin-

ing a spill and acting as a natural boom and protective barrier.

However, Garness of the AITC is not convinced. "I'm 100 percent certain that there is no technology available to clean up a spill in the Arctic," he said. "When I see science that says it's easy and possible, I realize the old adage that says, 'He who buys the piper calls the tune.'"

Garness offered the point of view that questions the rush. "We know that there is only a fixed number of barrels of oil in this earth. And like any other commodity, when less is available, the more it's worth. If we wait seven generations, our children will be better educated and they will know better how to use that oil."



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**STUDENT PROJECT**— Sharina Larsen models a beautiful parka made by the middle and high school students of MLO school of Golovin. This parka was made with the assistance of Maggie Olson. The MLO students thank Maggie for donating her time to pass on her knowledge of Inupiaq parka making.

## All Around the Sound

### New arrivals

Nicole M. Apatiki and Jordan S. James of Gambell announce the birth of their daughter **Kylie Erika James**, born May 7 at 2:10 a.m. She weighed 8 pounds, 5.8 ounces, and was 20 ½" in length. Her sister is Ashlee Apatiki. Maternal grandparents are Robert and Trudy Apatiki of Gambell; and paternal grandparents are Dennis Sr. and Ila May James of Gambell.



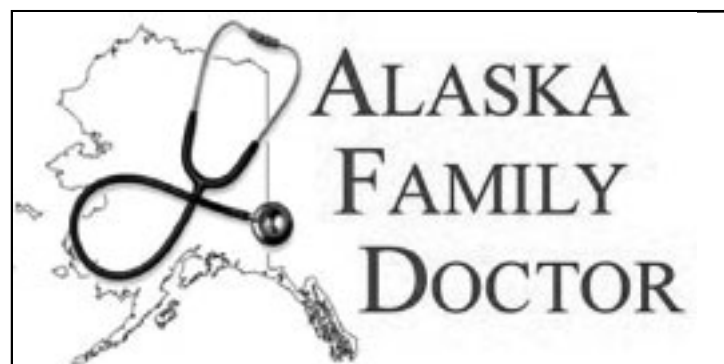
**Chevy McLain Reader**

Charley and Jennifer Reader are pleased to announce the arrival of their new bundle of joy. **Chevy McLain Reader** was born April 26, 2010 at 8:30 p.m. at Mat Su Regional Hospital. She weighed 7 lbs, 7 oz and was 19 ¾ inches long. She joins her adoring siblings Chelsea, Misty, Nicholas, Christopher and Mackenzie.

### Grant awarded

The Rasmuson Foundation awarded more than \$175,000 in grants to 28 emerging, mid-career and established artists from across Alaska. The Foundation's Individual

Artist Award program has awarded over \$1.4 million in grants to 191 Alaska artists. Recipients are chosen based on work that reflects the diverse cultural and aesthetic communities in Alaska. Folk musician and songwriter Arlo Hannigan of Nome was an award winner. He will travel to Vancouver, British Columbia and studio record 10 of his songs.



## Quitting smoking: Which therapy is most effective?

**Bob Lawrence, MD**

What would you do to stop a killer? Smoking is the number one cause of preventable premature death in the United States and a growing threat to rural Alaska where smoking rates are now twice the national average.

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No one pretends that quitting tobacco use is easy. The Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has compared tobacco dependence to cocaine, amphetamine, or opiate addictions. The addictive ingredient in tobacco is nicotine, a powerful stimulant that causes a different type of addiction involving a psychological addiction as well as a physical dependence. Tobacco use is associated chemically in the brain with activities and relationships that are pleasant, healthy, and good. This association deceptively makes smoking feel beneficial when in reality, according to the CDC, it harms every organ in your body.

Successful treatment of tobacco use must address both sides of the addiction: physical dependence and psychological dependence. Some people are able to address both issues with a mere decision to quit. Others require a combination of supportive counseling, nicotine replacement, and medication

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## City of Nome Spring Clean-up is through June 6. Raffle Day: Saturday, June 5

Free hot dogs and pop in the Lions Club Bus at Anvil City Square from noon to 5 p.m. for all trash collectors! Prizes for all trash collectors and a **prize drawing will be held at 5:15 p.m. at Anvil City Square!**

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May 29 - 30 dump trucks will be located at: • Icy View Fire Hall • East End Park • Elementary School Parking Lot • Recycling Center • Belmont Point Collect 15 or more bags for a chance to win a bicycle! **Prize tickets exchanged for yellow bags on Saturday, June 5 only!**

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You must call **443-NOME** to arrange for pickup **BEFORE 1 p.m. on Friday, June 4.** Service is for residents only—no rental properties or remodel jobs.

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**WALK FOR LIFE IN WALES**—The second annual Walk for Life, sponsored by Kawerak Wellness, took place May 15 in Nome, Stebbins, White Mountain, Teller, Elim, Shishmaref, Shaktoolik and Wales. Participants walked along with Northwest Arctic and North Slope Borough communities to highlight suicide prevention and community wellness initiatives. Air freight for supplies was donated by Bering Air. Flowers for the Walk were provided by residents of Seaside and the Nome Youth Facility.

## • Alaska Family Doctor

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that counteracts the craving for tobacco. Research suggests that successful cessation occurs in groups such as family members, friends, or co-workers who agree to quit together.

Nicotine replacement therapies (NRT) allay the physical symptoms of withdrawal and are available over-the-counter in the form of patches, gums, and lozenges.

Two medications, bupropion (Zyban) and varenicline (Chantix) are approved by the FDA to block tobacco cravings. These medications are only available by prescription.

Studies sponsored by pharmaceutical companies show NRT can improve chances of stopping smoking by 50-70 percent, at least in the short term. However, real world experience shows that nicotine replacement or medication alone for smoking cessation only helps a few people in the long run. A large review published in 2003 in the journal *Tobacco Control* showed that after six months only 7 percent of smokers who used a nicotine replacement therapy remained smoke-free whereas 93 percent resumed smoking.

More recently, a head-to-head study comparing the efficacy of bupropion and several NRT therapies published in the *Archives of General Psychiatry* in January 2010 showed that only a combination of the nicotine patch supplemented with lozenges had any effect on abstinence after six months. The patch alone and all other therapies used in the study were no more effective than taking a placebo. Interestingly, 22 percent of people taking the placebo were smoke free after six months, suggesting the mere decision to quit was a powerful step in smoking cessation.

This does not mean medical therapy for smoking cessation is unhelpful. Successful quitters, including those who use NRT or medication, just have one more important component in common, namely a decision to quit. According to the CDC, if you ask a group of successful quitters what method they used to quit smoking, over 90 percent will say they quit "cold turkey" or slowly tapered their use without medication.

No medication can replace the will of a person motivated to stop using tobacco. Medical professionals know that successful smoking cessation always starts with a personal decision. No pill, patch, or therapy is as effective as a person simply making a decision to quit.

Once the decision is made, patients have many resources available for information and trained guidance on available therapies. Alaska's Tobacco Quit Line 1-800-QUIT-NOW (784-8669) is available from 4 a.m.-11 p.m. daily. The Norton Sound Regional Hospital CAMP department (907-443-3365) has trained cessation coaches and information on NRT. Patients may also discuss personal options for smoking cessation therapy with their provider.

To a medical provider, it is heartbreaking to see this decision postponed until a first heart attack, stroke, or suspicious lesion appears. Living in rural Alaska calls for a certain amount of toughness. It is difficult to watch tough people lose their strength over the years due to a substance like tobacco. But the problem is totally preventable with a firm decision to quit. So when it comes to smoking cessation, don't just try. Decide.

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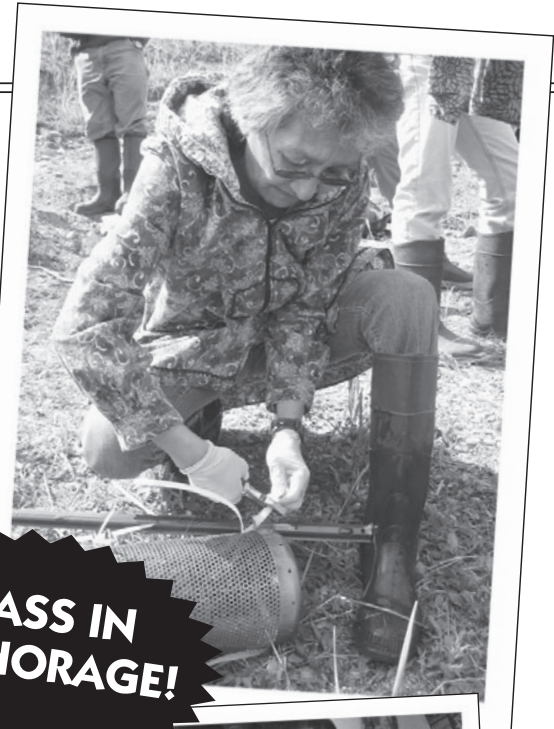
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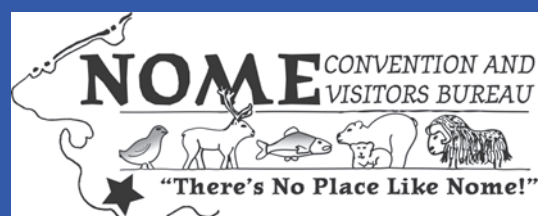
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**LUMINARIA AT DUSK (top)**—Sunset was at approximately 1 a.m. on May 23 this year and the Luminaria was shining as bright as they could in the midnight sun.

**SURVIORS LAP (middle left)**—Cancer survivors led the Relay for Life of Nome walk on May 22.

**FOR THE BRUNS' (right)**—Luminaria were purchased in memory of Mary and Ed Bruns, longtime Nomeites who have passed on.

**BOUQUET (above)**—Remember, fight back, celebrate! These balloons were sold to raise more funds for American Cancer Society.

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RELAY FOR LIFE OF NOME (above)—The American Cancer Society fundraiser raised over \$29,000.

ENTERTAINMENT (left)—David Coler entertains the Relay crowd Saturday night.

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# New chiropractor locates practice in Nome

Sore backs, stiff necks and all the crinks that needed to be worked out after a long dark winter are set to be gone with the arrival of spring and Dr. Craig Brummert.

Dr. Brummert is a chiropractor working through Natural Health Chiropractic. His office is in the Federal Building on the east side of the lobby. He is a graduate of New York

Chiropractic College in Seneca Falls, New York.

He has lived in several small towns from Pennsylvania, to Virginia, New York, California and Oklahoma. Since he loves the outdoors and hunting and fishing he was undaunted by an ad from Dr. Todd Lovell. "After his multiple attempts to scare me away, which only made

me more interested in Nome, he decided that I would be a good fit for the practice, said Brummert. Unfortunately, I had to wait until February to take the Alaska State Board exam. I arrived in Fairbanks and spent a week with Dr. Todd and his family while becoming familiar with his practice systems. Then I came to Nome via Sitka, Juneau, and An-

chorage.

"When I first arrived I started playing hockey on Wednesdays and Fridays. That ended quickly with the 'warm' weather. I'm not exactly sure what I'm going to get into just yet,

but there is a good chance it will involve heath and wellness, sports, and the outdoors. I'll leave the politics to my predecessor." He also likes to read and to play the banjo.



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NEW IN TOWN—Dr. Craig Brummert has his office in the lobby of the Federal Building.



*Congratulations!*

**Truong Phan** graduated with honors, summa cum laude, on May 15 and received a Doctorate of Optometry from the University of Houston College of Optometry.

*Happy 95th Birthday Gram!  
From all your family in Nome!*



Great-Granddaughters, 5th generation Nomeites, Erica Wieler and Chrystie Salesky along with, 2nd generation Nomeite, Great-Grandmother, Ella Tanner

*Thank You!*

Thank you to my family and friends who recently helped me out to go home for my sister Bonnie's memorial. Thanks to Bonnie's oldest son, Jeremey for helping me get home for the service. Thanks to Peter, her youngest son for helping me with everything else while I was at home. Thanks to Briday Green and her son Daxton for putting up with me the first few days that I was there. Thanks to my sister Dilly for being there with/for me and reminiscing about the old days. Thanks to the Minix's for such a good day of company with their family. Thanks to my dear friends Jeanette Yuman & Wendy Deering for listening and talking with me when I needed it. Thanks to Berta & J.J. for allowing me to stay with them the last couple of days and the kids for such great hospitality. Thank you to A.N.B. for allowing me to go home for a family service. To all family and friends of the Adsuna's, thank you and God bless.

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# HOROSCOPES

May 27 - June 2, 2010

 <p><b>CAPRICORN</b> December 22–January 19</p> <p>Really, Capricorn. You've held back for far too long. The world is yours to conquer. A change in routine dramatically lightens the atmosphere at home.</p>	 <p><b>ARIES</b> March 21–April 19</p> <p>Want to make someone's day, Aries? Do the unexpected. Romance sizzles at home, and relationships deepen. An e-mail uncovers a secret.</p>	 <p><b>CANCER</b> June 22–July 22</p> <p>Few things in life are free. Keep that in mind. Cancer, as you look through a proposal. Know the risks involved before you sign on the dotted line.</p>	 <p><b>LIBRA</b> September 23–October 22</p> <p>You've got a hunch. Don't act on it, Libra, unless you know for certain it will pan out. A tickle of the ivories reminds you of an important event coming up.</p>
 <p><b>AQUARIUS</b> January 18–February 18</p> <p>Level-headedness is required this week, Aquarius. Approach situations calmly and think through your decisions carefully. Your family is counting on you.</p>	 <p><b>TAURUS</b> April 20–May 20</p> <p>Follow your brain, not your heart, and do what's best for you. It won't be easy, but it must be done, Taurus. A book inspires you to break a bad habit.</p>	 <p><b>LEO</b> July 23–August 22</p> <p>Pay attention, Leo. Not everyone has your best interest at heart. A meeting brings up some recurring issues. Work to resolve them once and for all.</p>	 <p><b>SCORPIO</b> October 23–November 21</p> <p>Patience has never been one of your strong points, Scorpio, but now is not the time to leap into something new. You must wait until the right opportunity presents itself.</p>
 <p><b>PISCES</b> February 19–March 20</p> <p>Your love life hits a rough patch, but all is not lost. You will work through it, Pisces. A home improvement project is easy to do with the right tools.</p>	 <p><b>GEMINI</b> May 21–June 21</p> <p>Now is not the time for a career move. Hang in there, Gemini, and keep your nose to the grindstone. Travel plans get underway. Prepare to have a good time.</p>	 <p><b>VIRGO</b> August 23–September 22</p> <p>Got your heart set on something? Go for it, Virgo. Don't let the doubts of others get in your way. A furry friend brings happiness to your household.</p>	 <p><b>SAGITTARIUS</b> November 22–December 21</p> <p>Uh-uh-uh, Sagittarius. A family feud has dragged on long enough. Swallow your pride and restore harmony to your home. An old friend rolls into town.</p>

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# Obituaries

## Lloyd F. "Stinky" Hardy

On May 9 Lloyd Franklin "Stinky" Hardy died peacefully in his sleep of a massive heart attack at his beloved fish camp on the Bering Sea coast – a place that he had flown over countless times in his 25,000 hours of flight time.

Stinky was born June 7, 1948 in Kotzebue to Josephine (Lane) and Russell M. Hardy. He was soon brought to Nome to make it home his entire life. Growing up, Stinky always knew the value of hard work, whether it be sweeping floors at Harwood's Nome Pharmacy or collecting honey buckets for Elmer Straub. He played on the Nome state championship basketball team in high school, became an Eagle Scout and attended the National Boy Scout Jamboree in Valley Forge, PA.

Stinky was drawn to flying at an early age and got his private, commercial and ATR pilot licenses in Renton, WA. He flew for Munz Northern Airlines, Foster Aviation and later started Seward Peninsula Flying Service in 1975. His aviation career was interrupted in 1968-1969 as he served honorably in Vietnam. He later flew for family owned businesses in Kiana, Kotzebue, Dilling-

ham and Naknek and enjoyed recovering WWII airplanes across the state.

In later years he spent time in Valdez with his sister Tweet, working at the Safety Roadhouse during Iditarod for Chuck Reader and with his son Russ in the construction business around the state.

The love of his life, Minnie Tucker, enabled Stinky to become "Papa" to her granddaughter, Sierra and all the children she watched everyday. He cherished all of his children and grandchildren.

Stinky believed in the good of all people and took the shirt off his back for anyone. The little old ladies always asked for Stinky to be their pilot – and he was proud to oblige. He always had a hardy wave and mischievous smile for everyone he encountered.

Stinky was preceded in death by his parents and Minnie Tucker. He is survived by his son Russell E. Hardy of North Pole, daughters Josephine Bahnke of Nome, Lindsay Hardy of Kotzebue and Clarice "Bunn" Hardy of Nome and sisters Tweet Brasic of Valdez and Mamie Reich of Kotzebue.

A Celebration of Life is scheduled for 5 p.m. on Friday, May 28 at the Nome Recreation Center.



Lloyd F. "Stinky" Hardy

## Georgiana Genieve "Penny" Wheeler Ione

Georgiana "Penny" Ione was born June 19, 1941 to the late Jack Wheeler of Kotzebue and the late Catherine Miller Wheeler of Teller. Penny died from medical complications in Anchorage, April 28, at the age of 69.

Penny, as she was known to both family and friends, was born in Nome. She was a shareholder in Golovin Native, Sitnasuk Native and Bering Straits Native corporations.

Penny was married to the late Edwin Punguk of Golovin, with whom she bore two sons, Charles and Timothy. Following Edwin's death, Penny married Guy Ione, Sr. of White Mountain.

As medical and age-related problems affected her, Penny moved to Anchorage, where she resided at the time of her death.

Penny was a caring and compassionate mother, whose love of her sons sustained her despite separation from them.

Penny was truly a believer in the Lord. She was a faithful follower and spent countless hours reading the Bible and citing biblical verses to later review.

Penny's hobby of working with yarns in her free time provided her friends and family with beautifully knitted or crocheted items handmade by her.

Her son, Charles, married Phyllis (Longley) of Nome. Typical of her, Penny opened her heart and life, embracing Phyllis' family of seven children as her own. Her love for them was unwavering to the very end.

In her younger years, Penny enjoyed the lifestyle of her people, living off the land and engaging in

harvesting the resources.

Penny is survived by her sons Timothy Punguk, and Charles and Phyllis Punguk; and Alexie, Christopher, Irvin, Kelly, Krystal and daughter, Kailey, and Jon and Mikey, all of Nome.

Penny's family thanks Bering Straits Native and Golovin Native corporations, as well as many individuals in the community for the outpouring of support, comfort, caring and love we have received during this difficult time. May the lord and father, Jesus Christ, bless you all for what you have done.



Georgiana "Penny" Ione

## Thank you!

Words alone cannot express how thankful we are for all who came to our needs during this most difficult time with the passing of wife, mother, grandmother and great grandmother Edna Alvanna. Special thanks to our family in Anchorage, who helped during her many trips for medical care back and forth and then her final stay in when she was at ANMC in Anchorage: John Kiminock Jr., Mary Moyer, Volker, Lena Kiminock, and Esther Koezuna. Thanks to the Koezuna, Stimpfle, and Marble Families who helped by making sure the rest of the family in Nome was taken care of. Thanks to Nome Elementary School staff for the caring and thankful gestures that showed your respect and admiration for Edna. Thanks to Angela Hukill, Pauline Marble, and Bernie Alvanna-Stimpfle for helping cut up native food for the remembrance get together. For those who brought food over to the house. For the cards that were sent. For the cooks that brought food for the get together. Also, for those who helped set up and cleaned at the remembrance get together. For those who brought beautiful flowers. Father Ross Tozzi, for officiating the church service. The Pall Bearers: Kevin Knowlton, Jeremy Perkins, LieuDell Goldsberry, Dennis Pullock. Neither words nor gesture can express the families' thankfulness for Jimmy West Jr. for all of his help to insure that Edna was taken care of upon her final return home. For all the people who helped with the shoveling at the cemetery. The dignity and respect from the staff at Kehl's funeral home in Anchorage. Norton Sound Health Corporation: special thanks to the inpatient nurses, especially to Dr. Moffit and Kay Carter who provided excellent care to Edna while in hospital in Nome. To Kawerak's General Assistance Program, the Bering Straits Native Corporation, King Island Native Corporation, and King Island Native Community for the generous donations after Edna's passing. Nome Public School teachers, who brought meals to the family throughout the week from when we returned from Anchorage up to the remembrance get together. Thanks to Grace Pullock for the beautiful slippers made for Edna. Thanks to her extended relatives from Little Diomedé who were not able to make it for Edna's service. Steve and Toni Smith, for her beautiful Cross, her final resting place.

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

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

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**Wednesdays** in Lent 7 p.m.  
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**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**  
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**Mass Schedule: Saturday** 5:30 p.m./**Sunday** 10:30 a.m.

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**Kawerak Administration Division – Information Technology Dept Recruitment Notice – 05/17/2010 to Open until filled.**

DEPARTMENT: Administration, Information Systems  
**JOB TITLE: Information Technology Technician**

**POSITION STATUS: Regular Full Time**  
**EXEMPT STATUS: Non-Exempt**  
LOCATION: Nome, Alaska  
PAY SCALE GRADE: 12-13-14 (\$22.67 – 29.58)  
DOE

REPORTS TO: Information Technology Manager  
QUALIFICATIONS:

- 1) High school diploma or G.E.D. and at least one year of experience in a computer related field, relevant Microsoft and/or A+ certifications a plus.
  - 2) Experience in installing computer hardware, troubleshooting networked systems, and understanding of client-server architecture.
  - 3) Familiarity with and ability to troubleshoot Microsoft Windows 2000, 2003 and XP. Knowledge of Linux and Cisco OS preferred.
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  - 5) Must maintain strict confidentiality.
  - 6) Strong written and oral communication skills.
  - 7) Must be able to travel as needed. Travel may occur during evenings, weekends and holidays.
  - 8) Ability to lift or move parcels of 40 pounds or less. The employee is occasionally required to climb, kneel, crouch or crawl.
  - 9) Must be dependable, self-motivated and able to work with minimum supervision.
- Native Preference Per Public Law 96-638

**Kawerak Natural Resources Division – Recruitment Notice – 05/17/2010 to close of business on 06/01/2010.**

DIVISION: Natural Resources  
**JOB TITLE: Eskimo Heritage Program Director**  
**POSITION STATUS: Regular, Full Time**  
**EXEMPT STATUS: Non-exempt**  
LOCATION: Nome, Alaska  
GRADE SCALE: 14-15-16-17 (\$25.52 – 35.33)  
DOE

REPORTS TO: Vice President, NR  
Responsible for seeking funds and implementing programs to share and perpetuate the indigenous language, culture and arts throughout the Bering Straits Region; oversees the day-to-day operation of the Eskimo Heritage Program; will take the lead in planning, developing, accessing and implementing exhibits for the Beringia Museum of Culture and Science; shall aid in facility planning, fiscal matters, resource development, community outreach, educational programs, research, marketing coordination of tours & educational programs; make presentations; supervise employees; and perform other related duties as assigned.

- QUALIFICATIONS:
- 1) Bachelors degree in art, art history, art education, museum studies, native languages or related field. Previous work experience in museum operations required. Supervisory work experience in museum operations may substitute for the degree requirement on a year for year basis.
  - 2) Effective research, oral and written communication skills.
  - 3) Proven program development abilities
  - 4) Excellent organizational skills.
  - 5) Capable public speaker
  - 6) Must have strong oral and written communication skills and organization and budgeting skills.
- Native Preference per Public Law 93-638.

**Kawerak Administration Division – Transportation Dept Recruitment Notice – 05/17/2010 to Open until filled.**

DIVISION: Administration  
**JOB TITLE: Transportation Specialist**  
**POSITION STATUS: Regular, Full-Time**  
**EXEMPT STATUS: Non-Exempt**  
LOCATION: Nome, Alaska  
PAY SCALE GRADE: 14-17 (\$25.52 – 35.33)  
DOE

REPORTS TO: Director, Kawerak Transportation Program (KTP)  
**QUALIFICATIONS:**

1. Bachelors degree in Office Management, Business Administration, Accounting, or related field; however, supervisory work experience in the field

may substitute for the degree requirement on a year for year basis.

2. Must possess strong written and verbal communication skills.
  3. Must have organizational skills.
  4. Must be dependable and punctual.
  5. Must be self-motivated and able to work with minimum supervision.
  6. Must be able to work effectively with people from a variety of backgrounds.
  7. Must possess strong computer skills with knowledge and skills in internet usage, Word, Excel, Windows and Quickbooks.
  8. Familiarization with BIA IRR Program recommended.
  9. Two years supervisory experience.
- Native Preference per Public Law 93-638.

**Kawerak Community Services Division – Tribal Affairs Dept. Recruitment Notice – 05/17/2010 to close of business on 06/01/2010.**

**DIVISION: Community Services**  
**JOB TITLE: Accounting Specialist (Northern)**  
**POSITION STATUS: Regular, Full Time**  
**EXEMPT STATUS: Non-Exempt**

LOCATION: Nome, Alaska  
PAY SCALE GRADE: 12-13-14 (\$22.67 – 29.58)  
DOE  
REPORTS TO: Tribal Affairs Director  
QUALIFICATIONS:

1. AA degree in Business or related field. Two (2) years comparable work experience in accounting, or related field, may substitute for the degree requirement on a year for year basis.
  2. Strong background in accounting/bookkeeping required.
  3. Must possess basic computer knowledge and skills in Internet usage, Word, Excel, Quick Books and Windows.
  4. Experience in PL 93-638 Contracts preferred.
  5. Working knowledge of the legal environment of contracts, grants and memoranda of agreement is highly recommended.
  6. Must have good organizational skills, be self-motivated, creative, dependable and able to work with minimum supervision.
  7. Must possess strong written and oral communication skills.
  8. Ability to work in a complex technical, legal and administrative environment and with people with varying levels of formal education and training.
  9. Ability to work effectively with people from a variety of backgrounds.
  10. Must be willing to travel extensively.
- Native preference per Public Law 93-638.

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

**Applications can be accessed via Kawerak's website at [www.kawerak.org](http://www.kawerak.org) or by contacting Human Resources at 907-443-5231. Applications may be faxed to Kawerak Human Resources at 907-443-4443 or sent via email to [personnel@kawerak.org](mailto:personnel@kawerak.org).**  
5/20-27

**Native Village of Unalakleet**  
**PO Box 270**  
**Unalakleet, AK 99684**  
**PH: (907) 624-3622 Fax: (907) 624-3621**

**NOTICE OF JOB VACANCY**

**TITLE:** General Manager, Native Village of Unalakleet

**OPEN:** May 11, 2010 **CLOSING DATE:** When filled

**WORK SCHEDULE:** M-F, 8:00 AM to PM; varies  
**BRIEF SUMMARY OF JOB:** General Manager must consult with & report directly to the Tribal Council:

Administers, supervises, and directs day-to-day and long-term operations of the Native Village of Unalakleet. Oversees, monitors, and reviews NVU finances, grants, contracts and all other related business arrangements. Involved in strategic, short and long-term planning. Directs and supervises all staff: works with grant writer and program directors in the prep and admin of grants/revenues from all sources. Full description of position will be provided upon request.

**QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS:** Experience in exec, mgr, or admin position; or B.A. in Bus Admin; or 5 yrs mgr exp.

Preference to Unalakleet Tribal members and/or qualified Alaska Native and Native Americans per Public Law 93-638.

How to apply: Submit application and resume to Native Village of Unalakleet  
PO Box 270; Unalakleet, AK 99684-0270  
PH: (907) 624-3622 Fax: (907) 624-3621  
[vjohnson@kawerak.org](mailto:vjohnson@kawerak.org)  
Applications at the Native Village of Unalakleet of fice.  
5/20-27; 6/3

**Norton Sound Economic Development Corporation**

is currently recruiting for an **Accounting Assistant (Anchorage)**. The Accounting Assistant responsibilities include: handling general ledger postings, assist with monthly and quarterly close processes, assist with accounts payable procedures, assist with reconciling accounts and assist with filing, data entry and maintenance of vendor and fishermen files. *Qualifications:* High School Diploma or equivalency required, post-secondary accounting training or progress toward undergraduate degree is preferred, previous financial accounting experience is preferred. Closing Date: **Open Until Filled**.

NSEDC offers a competitive salary and excellent benefits package. Please see NSEDC's website to view the full job description and to download the application at [www.nsedc.com](http://www.nsedc.com) or contact Camille Cruz, HR Director, (800) 650-2248. Qualified individuals should submit their application and resume to: NSEDC, 420 L Street, Suite 310, Anchorage, AK 99501 or Fax: (907) 274-2249. 5/27

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## Classified

SALE— Case Wheel Loader; in Nome 1983 W24C, \$21,000 Call 907-771-2305 5/6-tfn

ATV for sale – 2006 Arctic Cat 500 - 4x4, PBX, 2 up, winch, flatbed, windshield, very low mileage, call 907-985-5145 5/27 tfn

## Trooper Beat

On May 9, at approximately 8:30 a.m., Rena Booshu, 40, of Nome, was arrested for Driving Under the Influence after the investigation revealed that she had driven off the road while she was intoxicated. No injuries were reported. Rena Booshu was transported and lodged at Anvil Mountain Correctional Center.

On May 9, at approximately 9:30 a.m. the Alaska State Troopers received a report of an unresponsive person that had been found at a cabin 20 miles East of Nome. Nome Volunteer Ambulance crew was dispatched to the scene. The investigation revealed that Lloyd Hardy, 61, of Nome, had died in his sleep. Lloyd Hardy had a history of medical problems. There were no indications of foul play. Next of kin were notified. The medical examiner released Lloyd Hardy's remains to his family.

On May 11, Unalakleet AST received a report of an assault in Stebbins. Investigation revealed that Erik Milligrock, 25, of Stebbins, had assaulted his girlfriend. She did not require medical attention. Alcohol was involved. Stebbins VPOs did not locate Milligrock, a warrant will be obtained for Milligrock charging him with one count of Assault in the Fourth Degree.

On May 12, Unalakleet AST contacted Matthew Towarak, 19, of Unalakleet, after he arrived on a flight from Anchorage. Towarak was found to be in possession of alcohol, in violation of his probation and he is underage. He was also found to be in possession of approximately three ounces of marijuana. Towarak was arrested and arraigned at the Unalakleet Court. He was transported to Nome and lodged at AMCC on \$1,500 bail.

On May 18, AST arrested Patrick Henry, 60, of Stebbins on an outstanding arrest warrant issued by the Unalakleet Court for five counts of sexual abuse of a minor and one count of burglary. Henry was transported and remanded at AMCC in Nome without incident.

On May 18, Kyle Wait of Palmer was convicted in the Nome Court for taking over limit musk ox. The incident occurred during a February hunt when Wait's arrow passed through one musk ox and into another. Wait was sentenced to receive a \$500 fine with \$200 suspended, pay \$3,000 in restitution to the State of Alaska, and to serve one-year probation.

On May 18, Arnold Saccheus, of Elim, was convicted in the Nome Court for Subsistence Crabbing Without a Permit. Saccheus received a \$100 fine for the violation.

On May 18, Unalakleet AST received a report that William Tom, 55, of St. Michael was drunk and causing a disturbance at a residence in the village. AST responded and advised Tom not to return to the residence, but an hour later he was back at the residence. Tom was arrested by the St. Michael VPO and lodged at the city jail. On May 19, Tom was arraigned on a charge of Criminal Trespass in the First Degree; he posted \$500 bail and was released.

On May 18, Unalakleet AST responded to a report of a disturbance at a residence in St. Michael and during that investigation observed Steve Tom, 56, of St. Michael driving a white Honda 4-wheeler while being intoxicated. Tom was arrested and lodged at the St. Michael Jail where a gram of marijuana was found on his person. He was telephonically arraigned on a charge of DUI and Misconduct Involving a Controlled Substance in the Sixth Degree, he posted \$500 bail and was released.

On May 19, at noon AST arrested Matthew Hadley, 25, of Buckland, with an arrest warrant for failure to appear. Hadley's original charge was Assault IV. Hadley was remanded to the AMCC with \$2,000 bail.

## Real Estate

### Nome Sweet Homes

Melissa Ford Broker

**1009 Front Street - \$334,000**  
Gorgeous timber frame home radiant floor heat, shop, apt  
**Banner Creek - \$164,000**  
3br on 5 acres w/river access  
**203 Iris Avenue - \$320,000**  
3br/1.75ba, radiant floor heat  
**Jens Road - \$370,000**  
3br/2ba on 14 acres  
**Dexter Roadhouse - \$200,000**  
Liquor license included  
Possible owner finance!

**LOTS OF LOTS, CALL ME!**

**AFFORDABLE**  
3BR/1BA Close to schools and new hospital site; only one block from the ocean! Major appliances, Dish Network system, c-van and more!  
**\$165,000**

**907-443-7368**  
[www.nomesweethomes.com](http://www.nomesweethomes.com)

**MUNAQSRI Senior Apartments • “A Caring Place”**  
**NOW taking applications for one-bedroom unfurnished apartments, heat included**  
“62 years of age or older, handicap/disabled, regardless of age”  
•Electricity subsidized; major appliances provided  
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**515 Steadman Street, Nome**



**EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER**

**(907) 443-5220**  
Fax: **(907) 443-5318**  
Hearing Impaired: 1-800-770-8973

**PO BOX 1289 • Nome, AK 99762**  
Helen “Huda” Ivanoff, Manager

## Looking for a companion?

This is Snowflake, a two year old male, neutered, all white cat available for adoption from the Nome Animal Shelter!

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

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



## Legals

**IN THE SUPERIOR COURT FOR THE STATE OF ALASKA  
SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT AT NOME**

I.T.M.O. Estate of:  
KIMBERLY OXEREOK,  
Deceased.

Case No. 2NO-10—0006 PR

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Zachary Milligrock has been appointed as Personal Representative of the above-named estate. All persons having claims against the said deceased are required to present their claims within four months after the date of the first publication of this notice or said claims will be forever barred. Claims must either be presented to Zachary Milligrock, c/o Power and Brown, LLC, P.O. Box 1809, Bethel, Alaska 99559, or filed with the Court. DATED this 5 day of May, 2010, at Bethel, Alaska. POWER AND BROWN, LLC  
Attorneys for Zachary Milligrock  
By: Michele Power  
ABA No. 9510047  
5/13-20-27

**IN THE SUPERIOR COURT FOR THE STATE OF ALASKA  
SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT AT NOME**

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF:  
MARGARET PICNALOOK,  
Deceased.

Case No. 2NO-10-16 PR

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

Notice is hereby given Mina Picnalook has been appointed personal representative of the above-entitled estate. All persons having claims against said deceased are required to present their claims within four months after the date of first publication of this notice or said claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented to Mina Picnalook, c/o Lewis & Thomas, P.C., Box 61, Nome, Alaska 99762, or filed with this Court at P.O. Box 1110, Nome, Alaska 99762. DATED this 14 day of May, 2010. H. Conner, Thomas, Attorney for Personal Representative, Box 61, Nome, AK 99762 5/20-27; 6/3


**DISPOSAL OF MUNICIPAL PROPERTY BY LEASE TO THE UNITED STATES COAST GUARD**

The City of Nome is considering disposal of municipal property by lease to the United States Coast Guard for the purpose of providing a necessary public service, specifically, the installation of two Range Marker Lights for the safe navigation of the Entrance to the Nome Harbor. The property is a portion of Lot 64A, Block 57 containing approximately 400 sq. ft. The estimated fair market value for the lease is \$25,000. The disposal of said property will be by ordinance enacted by the Nome City Council duly noticed by agenda and public notice. Further information may be obtained by contacting the office of the City Clerk. 5/20-27; 6/3-10

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation (ADEC)  
Wastewater Discharge Authorizations Program  
610 University Avenue  
Fairbanks, Alaska 99709  
Alaska's Department of Environmental Conservation (ADEC), Division of Water received an application for a State of Alaska non-domestic wastewater Land Application Permit under Alaska Statutes 46.03 and the Alaska Administrative Code (AAC), 18 AAC 15, 18 AAC 60, 18 AAC 70, and 18 AAC 72.  
ADEC Contact: Tim Pilon (907) 451-2136 [tim.pilon@alaska.gov](mailto:tim.pilon@alaska.gov)  
Public Notice Issuance Date: May 27, 2010  
Public Notice Expiration Date: July 6, 2010  
Permit No.: Land Application Permit No. 2010DB0011  
**Applicant**  
NovaGold Resources, Inc.  
Rock Creek Project  
P.O. Box 640  
Nome, AK 99762-0640  
**Proposed Project and Location**  
Activities: Excess wastewater from precipitation, snowmelt, runoff, and groundwater collects in the mine's paste Tailings Storage Facility (TSF) and the Main sump below the TSF. This water will be

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**1-800-478-9355**

**Arctic ICANS —**  
*A nonprofit cancer survivor support group.*

**Arctic ICANS next meeting**  
The Nome Cancer support group will meet at the XYZ Center on  
**Thursday, June 3 • 7:30 p.m.**  
*Guest speaker: Brent Herman, Norton Sound Pharmacy Director*  
For more information call 443-5726.

Court

Week ending 5/21  
Civil

New Frontier Realty vs. Merrill Jr., Wallace; District Court FED State of Alaska, Dept of Revenue, CSSD vs. Topsekok, William A.; Petition for Order re PFD or Native Dividend  
Takak, Abigail vs. Sagoonick, Tonia; Stalking Protect Proceed: Both Ex Parte & Long Term

Small Claims

Credit Union 1 vs. Ivanoff Jr., Alvisn S.; Small Claims \$2500 or Less  
Savoonga Native Store vs. Noongwook, Parson; SC More Than \$2500: 1 Deft. Cert Mail  
Savoonga Native Store vs. Noongwook, Terri; SC \$2500 or Less: 1 Deft. Cert Mail  
Savoonga Native Store vs. Iya, Dylan; SC \$2500 or Less: 1 Deft. Cert Mail  
Savoonga Native Store vs. Toolie Jr., Morris; SC \$2500 or Less: 1 Deft. Cert Mail  
Savoonga Native Store vs. Seppilu, Jamie; SC \$2500 or Less: 1 Deft. Cert Mail

Criminal cases

State of Alaska v. Bruce E. Eakon (9/7/78); Felony DUI; Date of offense: 4/1/10; 2 years, 0 years suspended; Any unsuspended time is to be served with defendant remanded to custody; Fine: \$15,000 with \$0 suspended due 1/1/12; Police Training Surcharge: \$100 due within 10 days; Jail Surcharge: immediately pay correctional facility surcharge of \$100 per case to the Department of Law Collections Unit, Anchorage; IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that defendant's driver's license is revoked for 1 year; Shall forfeit any interest in the vehicle to the SOA; Any appearance or performance bond in this case: is exonerated.  
State of Alaska v. Lisa Larsen (4/28/89); Notice of Dismissal; PTR filed on 3/4/10; Filed by the DAs Office 5/14/10.  
State of Alaska v. Mary Sahlin (3/3/69); Notice of Dismissal; Charge 001: Bad Check; Filed by the DAs Office 5/14/10.  
State of Alaska v. Olaf W. Walters (12/5/61); Felony DUI; Date of offense: 12/22/09; 2 years, 0 years suspended; Any unsuspended time is to be served with defendant reporting to AMCC by 4pm on 5/31/10; Fine: \$15,000 with \$0 suspended due

within 2 years; Police Training Surcharge: \$100 due within 10 days; Jail Surcharge: immediately pay correctional facility surcharge of \$100 per case to the Department of Law Collections Unit, Anchorage; IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that defendant's driver's license is revoked for life; The State shall file a Notice regarding intent to forfeit the vehicle within 30 days; Any appearance or performance bond in this case: is exonerated when defendant reports to the jail to serve the sentence.  
State of Alaska v. Clara Annayoc (4/21/61); Criminal Trespass 2°; Date of offense: 5/18/10; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 10 days, 10 days suspended; Jail Surcharge: \$150 with \$100 suspended; Shall pay \$50 within 10 days to: AGs Collections Unit, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 due shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation until 6/19/10; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Shall commit no violations of law; Shall not consume alcohol to excess.

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• More Legals

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discharged using up to three spray evaporators over an area of approximately 10 acres located directly uphill from the TSF, bounded upslope by Diversion Channel 1 and downslope by Diversion Channel 3, at the Rock Creek Project. Moisture will soak into the land surface, but puddling and surface runoff are prohibited.  
Location: The Rock Creek Project is located approximately 6 miles north of Nome, AK, in the Snake River Drainage, within sections 14, 15, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, and 33, T10S, R34E, Kateel River Meridian.=

**Tentative Determination**  
The ADEC has tentatively determined to issue permit to the above listed applicant.

**Public Comments**  
Written comments on the proposed permit must be submitted within 30 days of the second publication of this public notice, or no later than July 6, 2010. Please direct written comments to the attention of Tim Pilon at the address or email identified above. All comments should include the name, address, and telephone number of the commenter and a concise statement of comment on the permit condition(s) and the relevant facts upon which the comment is based. Comments of either support or concern, which are directed at specific, cited permit requirements are appreciated. Comments must be postmarked on or before the expiration date of the public notice.  
**DEADLINE FOR WRITTEN COMMENTS:**  
July 6, 2010 at 5:00 p.m. ADT

**Administrative Record**  
Copies of the proposed permit and application documents are available for public review at the ADEC website:  
<http://www.dec.state.ak.us/water/wwwdp/index.htm>.  
The Public Notice can be viewed at the DEC Public Notices website:  
[http://www.dec.state.ak.us/public\\_notices.htm](http://www.dec.state.ak.us/public_notices.htm). For inquiries and copies of documents, contact Tim Pilon at the address listed above, by email [tim.pilon@alaska.gov](mailto:tim.pilon@alaska.gov) or call (907) 451-2136  
**Disability Reasonable Accommodation Notice:**  
The State of Alaska, Department of Environmental Conservation complies with Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990. If you are a person with a disability who may need a special accommodation in order to participate in this public process, please contact Deborah Pock at (907) 269-0291 or TDD Relay Service 1-800-770-8973/TTY or dial 711 within 30 days of publication of this notice to ensure that any necessary accommodations can be provided.  
5/27; 6/3

**IN THE SUPERIOR COURT FOR THE STATE OF ALASKA  
SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT AT NOME**  
CASE NO: 2NO-09-00315CI  
**JUDGMENT FOR CHANGE OF NAME, PUBLICATION AND POSTING**  
**In the Matter of a Change of Name for: Kelvin Charles Jones Anasogak,**  
Current name of Minor.  
Notice of Judgment - Change of Name  
A judgment has been issued by the Superior Court in Nome, Alaska, in **Case # 2NO-09-00315CI**, ordering that the minor child's name be changed from **Kelvin Charles Jones Anasogak** to **Kelvin Charles Lewis**. Effective upon issuance of the clerk's Certificate of Name Change.  
5/27

**CITY OF NOME  
PUBLIC NOTICE**  
**O-10- 05-01 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 11.50 TO ADOPT PROVISIONS REQUIRED BY THE FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY**  
This ordinance had first reading at a regular meeting of the Nome City Council on May 24, 2010 at 7:30 PM and was passed to second reading, public hearing and final passage at a Regular meeting of the Council scheduled for **June 14, 2010 at 7:30 p.m.** in City Council Chambers of City Hall located at 102 Division Street. Copies of the ordinance are available in the office of the City Clerk.  
5/27; 6/3-10

**CITY OF NOME  
PUBLIC NOTICE**  
**O-10- 05-02 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE DISPOSAL OF MUNICIPAL PROPERTY BY LEASE TO UNITED STATES COAST GUARD (USCG)**  
This ordinance had first reading at a regular meeting of the Nome City Council on May 24, 2010 at 7:30 p.m. and was passed to second reading, public hearing and final passage at a Special meeting of the Council scheduled for **June 21, 2010 at 12:00 p.m. NOON**, in City Council Chambers of City Hall located at 102 Division Street. Copies of the ordinances are available in the office of the City Clerk.  
5/27; 6/3-10

Seawall

**5/18**  
Clara Annayoc, 49, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Criminal Trespass 2°.  
**5/21**  
Al Ahnangnatoguk, 53, was arrested and remanded to AMCC on a Parole Arrest Warrant.  
**5/19**  
Aloysius Muktoyuk, 40, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Violating Conditions of Probation and Introduction of Alcoholic Beverages to a Licensed Premises.  
Thelma Ahkvaluk, 22, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Violating Conditions of Release.  
Floyd Crumbley, 51, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Violating Conditions of Pro-

bation.  
**5/21**  
Kevin Kava, 44, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Disorderly Conduct and Violating Conditions of Probation.  
Geoffrey Milligrock, 26, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Assault 4°.  
**5/22**  
Charles Kowchee, 19, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Assault 4° DV.  
David Moore, 26, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Violating Conditions of Probation.  
**5/23**  
Michael Saclamana, 48, received a citation for Open Container.

Jeri Komonaseak, 47, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Assault 4°, DV.  
Marvin Okleasik, 52, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Drunk on Licensed Premises.  
Lily Tom, 28, was arrested and remanded into AMCC for Assault 4°, DV.

**Congratulations to the Nome-Beltz High School Class of 2010**

**CITY OF NOME PUBLIC NOTICE**  
**NOME PLANNING COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING**  
The Nome Planning Commission will hear a variance application at the regular scheduled meeting : Harriet & Tevuk Simpson, Block 65A, Lot 2A are requesting a variance for the following: Lot Size - Building Addition  
  
• Tuesday June 1,2010  
• City Council Chambers  
  
The public is invited and encouraged to attend.

**Nome Airport Master Plan Update**  
*You are invited!*  
**Public Open House**  
**Wednesday June 2, 2010**  
5-7 pm  
Presentations at 5:30 pm  
Old St. Joseph's Church  
407 Bering Street, Nome

The State of Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities (DOT&PF) is conducting two projects at the Nome Airport, which serves as a regional hub for the Seward Peninsula, Norton Sound and surrounding villages.

**Nome Airport Master Plan Update** — AKSAS Project No. 62748. DOT&PF is updating the airport master plan to identify and address the facility's current and future needs. The updated plan will guide modernization, expansion and development of the existing airport for the next 20 years.

**Nome Airport Runway Safety Area Expansion Project** — AKSAS Project No. 61413. DOT&PF is also evaluating options for runway safety area improvements at Nome Airport to meet FAA standards.

These projects have reached important milestones and it is time to check in to gain public input. Come to the DOT&PF public open house. You may also want to visit the web site [www.nomeairport.com](http://www.nomeairport.com) for more information or to comment online.

**For more information contact:**  
Brooks & Associates, Anne Brooks, P.E.  
Public Involvement Specialist  
301 W. Northern Lights Blvd., Suite 440  
Anchorage, AK 99503-2648  
Telephone: 1-907-272-1877; Toll free: 1-866-535-1877  
E-mail: [mycomments@brooks-alaska.com](mailto:mycomments@brooks-alaska.com)

► **[www.nomeairport.com](http://www.nomeairport.com)**

**Lands Closed to Hunting and Guiding in the Vicinity of Golovin Bay**

Legend:  
Golovin Native Corporation (Private Lands)  
Alaska Native Allotment (Private Lands)

Contact: Golovin Native Corporation (907)779-3251

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

The Public is reminded the lands within the outlined areas on the map are predominately privately owned by **Golovin Native Corporation and its Shareholders**. Sport hunting by non-shareholders, guides and their clients, and hunting by aircraft is **NOT ALLOWED ON COPORATION LAND**.

5/6-13-20-27; 6/3-10-17-24



• More Court

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State of Alaska v. Aloysius Muktoyuk (5/19/71); Bring Alcohol Onto Licensed Premises; Date of offense: 5/19/10; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 7 days, 0 days suspended; Unsuspended 2 days shall be served with defendant remanded to AMCC; Forfeit alcohol to State; Jail Surcharge: \$50 with \$0 suspended; Shall pay \$50 within 10 days to: AGs Collections Unit, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 due shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated.

State of Alaska v. Michael John Rock (10/20/83); 3AN-07-2328CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 107503236; Violated conditions of probation; Probation terminated; SIS is hereby revoked; Sentence is imposed as stated in the attached supplemental judgment.

State of Alaska v. Michael John Rock (10/20/83); 3AN-07-2328CR Judgment and Commitment; Count 001: MICS 4-Deliv/Poss w/Intent Over 1 OZ VIA; Date of offense: 3/14/06; The following charges were previously dismissed: Count 002: MICS 4-Possess Any Amount IA, IIA; Count 003: CntrlD Substc 4-Possess 4+ oz VIA; Date of offenses: 3/14/06; Defendant committed to the care and custody of the Commissioner of the Department of Corrections for the following period(s): 001: Not to Exceed Time Served; Police Training Surcharge: \$100 due within 10 days; Jail Surcharge: immediately pay correctional facility surcharge of \$100 per case to the Department of Law Collections Unit, Anchorage; Any appearance or performance bond in this case: is exonerated.

State of Alaska v. Timothy Kost (11/6/75); 2NO-09-62CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110700621; Violated conditions of probation; Probation terminated; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: All remaining time, remanded into custody.

State of Alaska v. Timothy Kost (11/6/75); 2NO-10-281CR Notice of Dismissal; Charge 001: Violating Conditions of Release; Filed by the DAs Office 05/18/10.

State of Alaska v. Thomas Ilmar (2/25/78); Dismissal; Petition to Revoke Probation Filed On 5/3/10; Filed by the DAs Office 5/19/10.

State of Alaska v. Tiffany Jones (1/30/89); Minor Consuming Or In Possession Or Control of Alcoholic Beverage; Date of offense: 1/14/10; Fined: \$300 with \$100 suspended; Shall pay \$200 to the Nome Clerk of Court by 7/31/10; Probation until 8/19/10; Shall not consume inhalants or possess or consume controlled substances or alcoholic beverages; Shall pay the fine as ordered.

State of Alaska v. Sergie Obruk (3/22/87); 2NO-10-2CR Criminal Trespass 1°; DV; Date of offense: 1/1/10; Binding Plea Agreement; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 60 days, 60 days suspended; Jail Surcharge: \$100 with \$100 suspended; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 due shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation until 5/19/11; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation; Shall commit no violations of law; Shall not possess or consume alcohol, nor enter or remain on the premises of any bar or liquor store; Subject to warrantless breath testing at request of any peace officer.

State of Alaska v. Sergie Obruk (3/22/87); 2NO-10-64CR Violating Release Conditions; Date of offense: 1/31/10; Binding Plea Agreement; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 20 days, 0 days suspended; Unsuspended 20 days shall be served with defendant reporting to AMCC by 9 pm, 5/19/10; Consecutive to 2NO-10-73CR; Jail Surcharge: \$50 with \$0 suspended; Shall pay \$50 within 10 days to: AGs Collections Unit, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 due shall be paid through this court within 10 days.

State of Alaska v. Sergie Obruk (3/22/87); 2NO-10-73CR Count 1: Assault 4°; DV; Date of offense: 1/31/10; Binding Plea Agreement; Counts (Charges) Dismissed by State: counts 2, 3 (002, 003); Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 180 days, 150 days suspended; Unsuspended 30 days shall be served with defendant reporting to AMCC by 9 pm, 5/19/10; Consecutive to 2NO-10-64CR; Jail Surcharge: \$150 with \$100 suspended; Shall pay \$50 within 10 days to: AGs Collections Unit, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 due shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Restitution: Shall pay restitution; Amount to satisfy Daniel Mike; Probation until 5/19/11; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation; Shall commit no violations of law; Shall not possess or consume alcohol, nor enter or remain on the premises of any bar or liquor store; Subject to warrantless breath testing at request of any peace officer for alcohol.

State of Alaska v. Martha Thomas (3/28/72); Count 1: Attempted, Other: Issuing Bad Check; Date of offense: 12/4/09; Counts (Charges) Dismissed by State: counts 2 (002); Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 90 days, 90 days suspended; Jail Surcharge: \$100 with \$100 suspended; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 due shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Restitution: Shall pay restitution as stated in the Restitution Judgment and shall apply fore an Alaska Permanent Fund Dividend, if eligible, each year until restitution is paid in full; Amount to be determined within 30 days; Probation until 5/19/11; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Shall commit no violations of law; Other: pay restitution within 11 months.

State of Alaska v. Halie Winkelman (6/9/94); Driving Without Valid License; Date of offense: 1/21/10; Binding Plea Agreement;

Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; Police Training Surcharge: Shall pay \$50 through this court within 10 days; Restitution: Shall pay restitution; Amount to be paid directly to satisfaction of victim; No violations of law; No operation motor vehicle without license; Other: Complete 20 hours work service by 8/20/10.

State of Alaska v. Eli S. Mendenhall (5/4/76); Judgment; Count 001, 002, 003, 004: Lawful Gear for Registration Area Q/King Crab Pot Must Four Circular Escape Rings; Date of offenses: 4/2/10; Plea: Guilty; Reduced to violations by State; No forfeiture; Defendant found and adjudged: Guilty—4 counts; Defendant came before court on 5/19/10 with counsel, Public Defender Agency, and the DA present; Sentence imposed as follows: Count 001, 002, 003, 004: Fined \$500 (each count) with \$250 suspended (each count); Unsuspended \$250 is to be paid 8/1/10 (each count); Police Training Surcharge: To be paid within 10 days, count 001: \$10 (Infrac); Probation: 1 year; Commit no commercial fishing violations during the probation period.

State of Alaska v. Anthony Villegas (5/8/83); Count 1: DUI; Date of offense: 12/25/09; Counts 2, 3, 4 (002, 003, 004) dismissed by State; 184 days, 180 days suspended; Not to exceed time served; Fine: \$1,500 with \$0 suspended; Amount due: \$1,500, due date: 8/1/10; Pay to Clerk of Court; Police Training Surcharge: \$75 with \$0 suspended; \$75 due in 10 days; Pay to Clerk of Court; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case with \$0 suspended, amount due: \$50, pay to Collections Unit, AGs Office, Anchorage; Suspended Jail Surcharge: \$100 per case with \$100 suspended; Cost of Imprisonment: \$330 (1st Offense), \$0 suspended; Amount due: full amount ordered, payable to Collections Unit, AGs Office, Anchorage; Restitution: In an amount to be determined; Crim. R. 32.6 within 30 days, pay to: See Restitution Judgment; Bail to: Fine: \$1,000; Complete Substance Abuse Treatment Assessment: other: local within 20 days; Completing screening, evaluation and recommended program; You are responsible for costs; File proof by 6/15/10 that you received an assessment, and file proof by 9/1/10 that you followed all assessment recommendations; Obey Driver's License Directives: Driver's license revoked for 90 days; Concurrent with DMV action; Use an Ignition Interlock Device: Costs of IID will be deducted from fine if you file proof of payment before fine due date; After you regain privilege to drive or obtain a limited license, you must use an ignition interlock device (IID) as directed in the IID Information Sheet (CC-483) for 12 months during your probation period; Probation for 2 years (date of judgment: 5/19/10); Obey all direct court orders listed above by the deadlines stated; Commit no jailable offenses; Do not possess or consume alcohol or controlled substances for a period ending 2 years from date of this judgment; Other: Not be where alcohol is present; No alcohol in residence; Subject to warrantless breath test and search of vehicle, person, and residence on request of any peace officer Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of probation.

State of Alaska v. Andrew M. Lockwood, Sr. (11/8/51); 2NO-10-80CR Count 1: Assault 4°; DV; Date of offense: 2/13/10; Partial Plea Agreement; Counts (Charges) Dismissed by State: count 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 (002, 003, 004, 005, 006); Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 120 days, 120 days suspended; Jail Surcharge: \$100 with \$100 suspended; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 due shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation until 5/19/12; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation; Shall commit no violations of law, assaultive or disorderly conduct, or domestic violence; Shall not contact Dora Lockwood without consent; Shall not possess or consume alcohol, nor have alcohol in his residence, nor enter or remain on the premises of any bar or liquor store; Subject to warrantless breath testing at request of any peace officer and warrantless search of residence for alcohol; Not be where alcohol is present.

State of Alaska v. Andrew M. Lockwood, Sr. (11/8/51); 2NO-10-80CR Count 7: Reckless Endangerment; DV; Date of offense: 2/13/10; Partial Plea Agreement; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 120 days, 60 days suspended; Unsuspended 60 days shall be served with defendant reporting to AMCC by 6/21/10; Jail Surcharge: \$150 with \$100 suspended; Shall pay \$50 within 10 days to: AGs Collections Unit, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 due shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation until 5/19/12, subject to the following conditions: same as count 1; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Shall not contact Dora Lockwood without consent.

State of Alaska v. David Ferguson (1/8/60); Notice of Dismissal; Charge 001, 002: Assault 3°; Filed by the DAs Office 5/14/10.

State of Alaska v. Memory Mike (10/27/90); 2NO-10-5CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110007018; Violated conditions of probation; Probation terminated; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: All remaining time.

State of Alaska v. Memory Mike (10/27/90); 2NO-10-205CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110006028; 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. Memory Mike (10/27/90); 2NO-10-250CR Habitual Minor Consuming or in Possession or Control of Alcoholic Beverage; Date of offense: 5/3/10; 60 days, 40 days suspended; Unsuspended 20 days shall be served with defendant remanded to AMCC, consecutive to 2NO-10-5CR; Jail Surcharge: \$150 with \$100 suspended; Shall pay \$50 within 10 days to: AGs Collections Unit, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 due within 10 days; Pay a total of \$100 to Nome Clerk of Court by 10 days; Community Work: Complete 96 hours of community work service and submit proof of completion to the Nome Clerk of Court within 120 days; Driver's License or Permit: Revoked for 6 months, concurrent with any DMV administration action; Shall immediately surrender license/permit to court; Probation until her 21<sup>st</sup> birthday; Shall not consume inhalants, or possess or consume controlled substances or alcoholic beverages; Shall surrender any license/permit, pay

surcharge, show proof of community work service; Shall submit to warrantless breath test at request of peace officer and may be arrested without a warrant for probation violation; Failure to comply with community work, evaluation, education or treatment requirements will result in an extra 6 months revocation of driver's license.

State of Alaska v. Lloyd Apatiki (3/26/81); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110064195; Violated conditions of probation; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 90 days, remanded into custody; All other terms and conditions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect.

State of Alaska v. Michelle Tungiyen (4/23/83); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110064672; Violated conditions of probation; Probation terminated; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 8 months.

State of Alaska v. Kellen Okpealuk (10/11/88); Dismissal—Count II Only; Count II: Resisting or Interfering With Arrest; Filed by the DAs Office 1/20/10.

State of Alaska v. Michael Rock (10/20/83); Notice of Dismissal; Charge 001: Disorderly Conduct; Filed by the DAs Office 5/17/10.

State of Alaska v. Diane F. Nassuk (5/10/75); Importation of Alcohol; Date of offense: 4/16/10; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 45 days, 42 days suspended; Unsuspended 3 days shall be served with defendant reporting to AMCC by 7/1/10; Fine: \$1,500 with \$0 suspended; Shall pay unsuspended \$1,500 fine through Nome Trial Courts by 10/1/10; Forfeit alcohol to State; Jail Surcharge: \$150 with \$100 suspended; Shall pay \$50 within 10 days to: AGs Collections Unit, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 due shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation until 5/18/11; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Shall commit no violations of law; Shall not possess or consume alcohol in dry or damp community; Subject to warrantless breath testing at request of any peace officer in such community; Person and baggage are subject to warrantless search at any airport en route to local option community.

State of Alaska v. Edward Smith (1/21/82); 2NO-10-82CR Count 2: Assault 4°; DV; Date of offense: 2/16/10; Binding Plea Agreement; Counts (Charges) Dismissed by State: count 1 (001); Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 4 months, 0 months suspended; Unsuspended 4 months shall be served with defendant remanded to AMCC, consecutive to 2NO-10-118CR; Jail Surcharge: \$50 with \$0 suspended; Shall pay \$50 within 10 days to: AGs Collections Unit, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 due shall be paid through this court within 10 days.

State of Alaska v. Edward Smith (1/21/82); 2NO-10-118CR Violating Release Conditions; Date of offense: 3/7/10; Binding Plea Agreement; Counts (Charges) Dismissed by State: not recorded; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 1 month, 0 days suspended; Unsuspended 1 month shall be served with defendant remanded to AMCC, consecutive to 2NO-10-82CR; Jail Surcharge: \$50 with \$0 suspended; Shall pay \$50 within 10 days to: AGs Collections Unit, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 due shall be paid through this court within 10 days.

State of Alaska v. Clarence Dewey (2/11/89); Importation of Alcohol; Date of offense: 12/17/09; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 45 days, 42 days suspended; Unsuspended 3 days shall be served with defendant reporting to AMCC by 6/1/10; Fine: \$1,500 with \$0 suspended; Shall pay unsuspended \$1,500 fine through Nome Trial Courts by 12/1/10; Forfeit alcohol to State; Jail Surcharge: \$150 with \$100 suspended; Shall pay \$50 within 10 days to: AGs Collections Unit, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 due shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation until 5/18/11; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Shall commit no violations of law; Shall not possess or consume alcohol in dry or damp community; Subject to warrantless breath testing at request of any peace officer in such community; Person and baggage are subject to warrantless search at any airport en route to local option community; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation.

State of Alaska v. Vincent Martin (11/2/88); Criminal Trespass 2°; Date of offense: 5/16/10; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 15 days, 15 days suspended; Jail Surcharge: \$150 with \$100 suspended; Shall pay \$50 within 10 days to: AGs Collections Unit, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 due shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation until 11/17/10; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Shall commit no violations of law pertaining to alcoholic beverages; 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; Other: Not return to Adrian Szygulski residence without consent.

State of Alaska v. Tyrone Buffas (4/3/82); Assault 4°; DV; Date of offense: 3/18/10; Binding Plea Agreement; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 360 days, 270 days suspended; Unsuspended 90 days shall be served with defendant remanded to AMCC; Jail Surcharge: \$150 with \$100 suspended; Shall pay \$50 within 10 days to: AGs Collections Unit, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 due shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation until 5/18/12; Shall comply with all court orders by the deadlines stated; Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation; Shall commit no violations of law, assaultive or disorderly conduct, or domestic violence; Shall not possess or consume alcohol, nor have alcohol in his residence, nor enter or remain on the premises of any bar or liquor store; Subject to warrantless breath testing at request of any peace officer and warrantless search of residence for alcohol.

State of Alaska v. Eugene Iknokinok (1/11/65); Count 1: Disorderly Conduct; Date of offense: 5/16/10; Binding Plea Agreement; Counts (Charges) Dismissed by State: count 2 (002); Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 5 days, 0 days suspended; Unsuspended 5 days shall be served with defendant remanded to AMCC; Jail Surcharge: \$50 with \$0 suspended; Shall pay \$50 within 10 days to: AGs Collections Unit, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 due shall be paid through this court within 10 days.

State of Alaska v. Al Koonooka (11/10/65); Disorderly Conduct; Date of offense: 5/15/10; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 7 days, 0 days suspended; Unsuspended 7 days shall be served with defendant remanded to AMCC; Jail Surcharge: \$50 with \$0 suspended; Shall pay \$50 within 10 days to: AGs Collections Unit, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 due shall be paid through this court within 10 days.


State of Alaska v. Floyd Crumbley (6/28/58); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110006226; Violated conditions of probation; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 30 days, remanded into custody; All other terms and conditions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect.


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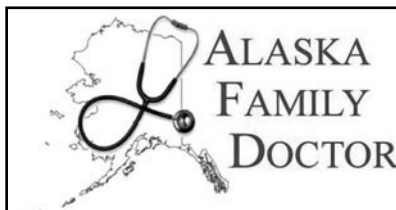
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## • Recall

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ing was difficult. “The uncertainty was unbearable,” she said.

Turnout at the election was brisk for Nome with a preliminary figure of 40 percent with 970 ballots cast. “They were out the door and [poll workers] were swamped from 5 o’clock to 7 o’clock [p.m.],” said City Clerk Sandy Babcock.

Of the 27 ballots that were to be counted on Wednesday morning, 22 were questioned, meaning the voters were not on the rolls when they showed up at the precinct; three were special-needs ballots that require hand-counting; and two were from voters on the rolls, but the ballots for some reason or another would not feed into the automated vote counter. Often those casting questioned ballots turn out to be registered in another district, such as Anchorage or a nearby village, and are thus unable to vote. Only those residing within Nome’s city limits were able to cast ballots Tuesday.

Those two ballots that the machine wouldn’t take would likely be enough to keep Timbers on the board by producing a tie vote. Election officials at the polls Tuesday evening were not completely certain how ties would be handled. Alaska law states that, “If a majority vote favors recall, the office becomes vacant upon certification of the recall election.” While the law does not address a tie directly, a draw is not a majority vote.

If Tuesday night’s unofficial num-

bers hold, Karmun and Nickels as the remaining members would have 30 days to fill the vacancies, according to Alaska law. If all member would have been recalled, the governor would have appointed three people to the board who would have then selected the remaining two. Those recalled may not be appointed back to the board. Those not recalled cannot be the subject of another recall petition for at least six months.

When asked if the board, however it is comprised, can move beyond this issue, Karmun answered matter-of-factly. “It will still be a functioning board,” she said. “When the final outcome is tallied tomorrow, that will be deciding factor.”

The results of the election come after months of angry and emotional testimony at school board meetings and work sessions, dueling signs around town and opposing Facebook pages on the Internet, and plenty of hurt feelings and accusations from those on both sides of the issue. The vote was spurred by a Jan. 12 closed-door session, after which the board voted 3-2 to not renew the contracts for the principal and assistant principal at Nome-Beltz Junior/Senior High School.

Ever since that meeting, a steady line of parents, teachers and community members have approached the board to voice dissatisfaction over the decision and ask why it was made. Some have been more diplomatic than others. Those supporting the school board have been largely silent in the months leading up to Tuesday’s vote, with a handful

of people stepping up to the microphone at board meetings to say so.

In the days leading up to the election, however, the battle to persuade Nome residents to vote one way or the other reached a fevered pitch on both sides. Large plywood signs have been propped up all over Nome, many of them red, white and blue and only looking substantially different in whether or not they say “vote yes” or “vote no.” One sign sitting on the tundra near Icy View imploring voters to recall the board by checking “Yes” had a large black “No” spray-painted over it.

Signs also briefly appeared on telephone poles around town stating “Vote Native Vote No,” but were taken down after a short stint. Many of the signs backing the board that remained instead touted the board members as “Nome-grown” and “Your School Board.” Both sides claimed a vote for their point of view was a vote for Nome’s students.

The argument has also spilled onto the Internet in the form of mass e-mails and pages of dueling comments linked to the *Anchorage Daily News* website’s reporting on the issue. While for the most part a series of traded barbs, the comments cover an array of perceptions regarding the vote’s significance. Some laid it out as an effort to deliver justice to the two released administrators, while others said the majority of the school board was standing up for parents who had complained of how their children were treated at Nome-Beltz. Others posting comments drew it out along racial lines. Still, others



Photo by Tyler Rhodes

**MIXED MESSAGE**—A sign calling for the recall of four of the five school board members gets a response from the opposition. The sign mirrored the unofficial election returns, which in two races were too close to call.

framed the issue in terms of personal politics, saying a dispute over the high school basketball team was a factor.

The truth of the motivation behind the board’s vote remains unknown as the Jan. 12 discussion was held in a closed executive session. The board has refused to release what was discussed in that private meeting. Doug Boyer, the assistant principal whose contract was not renewed, requested information on why he was not brought back in February. He finally

received a response last week citing budgetary considerations. The district, however, has included the position in its budget for next year and has been advertising for the job for months.

The specific grounds for recall for all five board members argue, among other reasons, that the board members violated the Alaska Open Meetings Act, acted against its own board policies and improperly discussed principal Janeen Sullivan without notifying her.

## • Salaries

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visions of the contract for an extra year.

Implementing the salary increases will result in a cost differential of \$55,903 next year, \$103,740 in 2011-2012 and \$271,127 in 2012-2013 when compared to the district’s early figures based on

giving 1.2 percent raises each of the three years.

The district found itself in a better position to offer more generous salaries after finding out that health care costs would be significantly lower next year than was initially predicted. The district predicted a 15 percent increase in premiums for next year when the number actually came in

at 6.8 percent, according to the district’s business director Jenny Martens. She noted that the difference in the actual versus the predicted rate resulted in a savings of \$60,000 in the budget.

Martens also noted that costs attributed to the district’s health reimbursement account played a large role in opening up more room in the budget.

After evaluating the actual claims submitted to the count, the district’s contribution was lowered by \$100,000. Martens said the budget reduction would most likely be a one-time affair. “The new contribution rate is based on claims experience and cannot be reduced lower than that experience,” she wrote in an e-mail to the *Nugget*.

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