



Photo by Nadja Roessek

LOW, LOW TIDE—An unusually low tide leaves the beach in front of Nome more exposed than normal on a sunny fall day.

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**CULTURE ON DISPLAY**—Sylvester Ayek from the King Island group dances the Thunder Cloud Spirits Dance as a solo performance at the Teller Cultural Festival Saturday. The dance is normally performed with another dancer.

## Rock Creek up for sale

*NovaGold says need to focus on larger projects spurs decision*

By Tyler Rhodes

NovaGold Resources announced Tuesday that it is officially putting its Rock Creek gold mine project up for sale.

According to the firm's director of communications, Rhylin Bailie, the Canadian mining company has hired an undisclosed outside firm to solicit offers for the open-pit project just outside of Nome. "We do think that the project holds value in the right portfolio," Bailie said. "It just doesn't fit in our portfolio anymore."

According to Bailie, NovaGold is placing its focus on two larger projects, Donlin Creek near the Kuskokwim River, and Galore Creek in British Columbia. The Rock Creek

Mine, while at a more advanced stage in development, is tiny in comparison to the two other projects. "Our two big projects, Donlin Creek and Galore Creek, are ramping up, and we need to focus our time and resources at those projects," Bailie said.

Bailie said employees working at the mine were informed of the decision Tuesday morning. Approximately 30 direct employees and contractors have been working at the mine at any given time recently. Bailie said the staffing at the site will remain at its current level as NovaGold solicits offers for the project.

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## Ordinance would end overnight camping at Belmont Beach

By Laurie McNicholas

Nome Common Council members moved a slowly evolving solution to the land use conflicts at Belmont Beach on the east side of the Snake River closer to implementation at their meeting Monday.

The council heard first reading of an ordinance to amend section 13.25.060, which prohibits overnight camping, the erection of temporary residential structures and the storage of personal property, to expand the area included in the prohibition southward to an area of Belmont Beach adjacent to the southernmost portion of lot 61A, block 57. The council moved the ordinance to a second reading, public hearing and final action at the next regular meeting.

The proposed ordinance addresses land use conflicts between residents of the Belmont Beach area and gold dredge miners who park their dredges on the beach. On Sept. 13 the council adopted an amended recommendation

of the Nome Port Commission to separate the gold miners from the recreation and subsistence users of the beach by establishing a boundary between them and designating an area of the beach for a boat ramp.

The council heard first reading of a proposed ordinance to amend sections 10.30.030 (a) to prohibit dogs from Anvil City Square and specific playgrounds and unanimously moved it forward for second reading and a public hearing. The amended ordinance will apply to the Nome Elementary School grounds and to any playground owned or maintained by the city.

The council approved by a 4-1 vote first reading of an ordinance to accept a right of way easement over Lucy's Way (on the side of Anvil Mountain near the Panorama Subdivision) moving the ordinance forward for second reading and a public hearing. Councilman Stan Andersen voted against the ordinance, through which private property

owners would grant a perpetual right of way to the city across a roadway in the Lucy's Way subdivision. In accepting the right of way offer, the city also would accept maintenance responsibilities for the road.

Andersen voiced opposition to a proposed resolution to extend the term of agreement with Bristol Environmental and Engineering Services Corp. (BEESC) as acting city engineer. The city entered into a contract with BEESC Oct. 14, 2003, and the current addendum agreement extended the contract from Oct. 14, 2008 to Oct. 14, 2010. Senior Engineer James Vogel has served as main engineer under the entire term of the contract.

Andersen said he would rather put the contract out to bid to see what others have to offer because Randy Romenesko, who has managed several city construction projects, plans to terminate his agreement with the city for consulting services in December of this year. The council rejected the resolution to extend

BEESC's contract by a 3-2 vote. Councilmen Jerald Brown and Randy Pomeranz voted in

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## Flu shot clinics coming early

*Plenty of vaccine should be available region-wide*

By Tyler Rhodes

Like it or not, the more unpleasant realities of winter are on their way.

The cold. The blizzards. The darkness. And, come December and January, the flu.

In contrast to last year when vaccine supplies were short due to the new threat of H1N1, or Swine Flu, Norton Sound Health Corp. is report-

ing fully stocked supplies and plans for multiple vaccination clinics. "We believe we have received more than enough this year to meet demand," said Chris Kilby, director of Public Health Nursing for NSHC.

This year's flu vaccine is formulated to target

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Photo by Tyler Rhodes

**ALL ALONE**—Rosa Schmidt nears the top of the climb en route to her regional running title in Nome Saturday. See page 10 for more.



Letters

Dear Editor,

After reading the 9/16/10 letter Ms. Karen Nanouk wrote about the outrageous salary paid to Bering Strait Native Corporation Board members I totally agree with her viewpoint. Man...it must be really nice to be a child of one of the BSNC Board members. Imagine the expensive Christmas and birthday gifts they must receive while so many of our shareholders are struggling to survive, so many stressing about the upcoming holidays, so many praying and dreaming for that huge illusory dividend check that never comes, so many shattered dreams and...so many that contemplate suicidal thoughts! Yes, it is time for us shareholders to put an end to draining of our dividends by these outrageous salaries

Did the board members let the shareholders know in 2008 that NANA gave BSNC 11 million dollars? Was there ever a public accounting of that money, or...was that

also paid out to bonus for the board members? I would like to thank Karen Nanouk and Francine Hopson for noticing the Holy Moly differences being a shareholder and board members.

Thanks!  
Eddie Tocktoo  
Seward, Alaska 99664

Dear Alaskans,

Alaska isn't Alaska anymore—we the people for Alaska (Native and non-Native) have to take responsibility of Alaska's fishing resources (Beringa—the Bering Sea region and North Pacific).

In the early 70s, decisions worldwide started in motion to divide the world fishing resources. By the early 80s our President signed on the (EEZ) Law of the Seas, the 200-mile exclusive economic zones around and off the coastal zones of the world to be managed by the people living on shore of their coastline (Continental Shelf), especially the fishing

resources. The reason for this was that fishing interests from afar cared not for the future of the resources fished—where it is hoped that the communities that lie next to the resource will have a greater interest in seeing the resource is managed prop-

erly. Thus, Alaska (People—State) need to take responsibility.

Do believe this would be now, if the people with political influence would take the subject up. Eventually someone will because eventually Alaska will have control of its fish-

ing resources from birth (spawn) to the final marketing.

Sincerely,  
Bruce Lemke  
Anchorage, Alaska 99509

# Port Commission rejects lone bid to prepare port development plan

By Laurie McNicholas

Twenty firms considered the City of Nome's request for proposals to prepare a port development plan, but only one submitted a bid on the project, City Manager and Port Director Josie Bahnke told members of the Nome Port Commission at their meeting Sept. 23. "The other 19 who did not respond may feel \$30,000 is not enough," she added.

Harbormaster Joy Baker reported that several potential bidders contacted her to ask if the project budget of \$30,000 could be increased. "I said 'no,' and none of them replied."

Bahnke said the city has no obligation to accept the lone proposal from Moffatt and Nichol of Seattle, WA, and she likes to have at least three choices to evaluate and score. She also said the costs of getting to and from Nome were not reasonably considered in the proposal.

"We could pare down the scope of the project," Bahnke suggested. "We asked for many deliverables." She said a lot of information needed for the plan such as state trends is avail-

able in-house. Noting that Eileen Bechtol is developing several plans under contract with the city, Bahnke said Bechtol could incorporate readily available information in the port development plan and work with PND Engineers of Anchorage on technical aspects.

Bechtol owns Bechtol Planning and Development in Anchor Point. PND currently is developing options for repair and expansion of the barge ramp at the port. Bahnke said neither firm responded to the RFP for the port development plan. In response to questions from commissioners, Bahnke said Bechtol told her it was out of the question for her firm to respond to the RFP because the project required an engineering firm, the scope of work was unrealistic and the project budget was insufficient.

Commissioner Charlie Lean said it's a red flag that the city received only one proposal out of 20 firms that considered bidding on the project. The commissioners unanimously adopted a motion to reject

the bid from Moffatt and Nichol and work with in-house entities on a port development plan until they can come up with more definitive plans.

**Offshore mining plans**  
Bahnke said officials from the Alaska Dept. of Natural Resources Division of Mining recently informed her of plans to open the west beach to a one quarter mile limit for offshore mining. She said DNR issued 45 permits for gold mining dredges this year, half of which park in the harbor while the other half are scattered from Belmont Point to the mouth of the Nome River and up and down the beach.

"DNR is looking at up to 60 [offshore mining] permits," Bahnke reported. "There is a moratorium in California on offshore dredging. We lack space." Ideas under consideration for solving that problem include development of a campground near dredge 6, she said.

**Status of port leases**  
Baker provided the following list

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

# Editorial

## American Roots

We are the grass roots of government. The people of Nome are what make America tic. We are the layer of government that is in direct contact and source of strength for our state and nation. Our attitudes about local government are carried forward to Juneau and Washington, DC.

What happens in our town travels up through our roots to all branches of government. We are the voters who put people in office. We have the power to make government good and responsive to citizens. We also have the power to allow bad government by doing nothing. If we stay home and let the other guy vote, we will get what we deserve.

We do have a problem. Many folks who call Nome their home can't vote in our municipal election, not can they run for office. They live outside of the city limits. The rest of us will have to do our civic duty and get to the polls next Tuesday. Let's do it. Let's vote for good government. Even though Nome has very few lawns, the grass roots of this tundra town are what America is made of, not tea leaves.

—N.L.M.—

# Polar Code needed to manage future Arctic shipping traffic

By Diana Haecker

A new workshop report titled "Considering a Roadmap Forward: the Arctic Marine Shipping Assessment" lists a mandatory polar code

developed by the International Maritime Organization as the highest priority for the future of Arctic nations dealing with increased shipping traffic. The Arctic Institute for Applied

Circumpolar Policy – co-founded by the University of Alaska at Fairbanks and Dartmouth College – is tasked to

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### Nome Norton Sound Tide Predictions (High & Low Waters) — September 30 - October 6, 2010

Day	Date	Time	Height	Time	Height	Time	Height	Time	Height
Th	09/30	03:19 a.m. LDT	0.9L	08:22 a.m. LDT	1.3H	04:43 p.m. LDT	0.1L	11:49 p.m. LDT	1.1H
F	10/01	03:55 a.m. LDT	0.9L	09:05 a.m. LDT	1.3H	05:41 p.m. LDT	0.1L		
Sa	10/02	12:52 a.m. LDT	1.0H	04:45 a.m. LDT	0.9L	10:07 a.m. LDT	1.3H	06:42 p.m. LDT	0.1L
Su	10/03	01:54 a.m. LDT	1.1H	05:56 a.m. LDT	0.9L	11:40 a.m. LDT	1.3H	07:41 p.m. LDT	0.0L
M	10/04	02:47 a.m. LDT	1.1H	07:16 a.m. LDT	0.9L	01:16 p.m. LDT	1.4H	08:36 p.m. LDT	0.0L
Tu	10/05	03:30 a.m. LDT	1.2H	08:32 a.m. LDT	0.8L	02:37 p.m. LDT	1.4H	09:27 p.m. LDT	0.0L
W	10/06	04:09 a.m. LDT	1.3H	09:41 a.m. LDT	0.6L	03:49 p.m. LDT	1.4H	10:16 p.m. LDT	0.0L

All times are listed in Local Standard Time(LST) or, Local Daylight Time (LDT) (when applicable). All heights are in feet referenced to Mean Lower Low Water (MLLW).

### Weather Statistics

<b>Sunrise</b>	09/30/10 09:09 a.m.	<b>High Temp</b>	59° 9/21/10	<b>National Weather Service Nome, Alaska (907) 443-2321 1-800-472-0391</b>
	10/07/10 09:29 a.m.	<b>Low Temp</b>	24° 9/27/10	
<b>Sunset</b>	09/30/10 08:33 p.m.	<b>Peak Wind</b>	32 mph, N, 9/25/10	
	10/07/10 08:08 p.m.	<b>Precip. to Date</b>	9.47"	
		<b>Normal</b>	12.49"	

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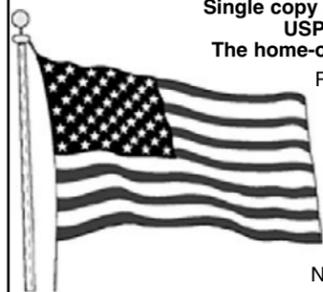
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# State of Alaska in the news

## Compiled by Diana Haecker AFN endorses Murkowski

In a special session, the Alaska Federation of Natives board of directors ratified a resolution to endorse Lisa Murkowski in her bid to go against the odds and remain in the senatorial race against tea party-backed Joe Miller and Democrat Scott McAdams. The resolution will be introduced to AFN's full membership at their annual convention coming up October 21-23.

AFN co-chair and state senator Albert Kookesh said that AFN does not take endorsements lightly. In the past, AFN endorsed former governor Tony Knowles, congressman Don Young and Senator Ted Stevens. AFN president Julie Kitka said that given the fast pace of developments in this particular race, and its high-profile nature, the AFN Legislative Committee felt it appropriate to take immediate action to recommend endorsement of Senator Murkowski. Kitka said she looks forward to lively political discussion on the convention floor when the resolution is up for consideration by the entire AFN membership.

Meanwhile, Alaska Governor Sean Parnell endorsed Joe Miller in the U.S. Senate race during a joint event in Wasilla. Parnell called Miller a "principled leader" the state needs in Washington. The endorsement went also the other way around as Miller endorsed Parnell as he is seeking the governor's seat in an election. Parnell moved up to be governor after Sarah Palin quit the job halfway through her term. As Miller is going on the record for not condoning Alaska receiving federal education money or other federal earmarks, reports surfaced - and were confirmed - that he accepted federal subsidies when owning a farm in Kansas, where he came from prior to moving to Alaska in 1994.

Congressman Don Young went on the record saying that he'd endorse neither senatorial candidate.

## Bill Walker won't be a write-in choice

Number 2 in the GOP primaries, Bill Walker, announced on Monday that he would not get back into the race for governor as a write-in. Last week, Walker, who was running strongly on his experience as an oil and gas expert, said he'd consider a

write-in campaign after U.S. Senator Lisa Murkowski made the announcement that she would be a write-in candidate in the senatorial race. Walker also looked into the option to run as a Alaskan Independent or Libertarian, but both parties didn't respond favorably. According to Walker's Facebook post, he said it was a most difficult decision made after analysis, prayer and input from family.

## Prosecutor in Ted Stevens case commits suicide

Washington (AP)— An attorney says a Justice Department prosecutor who was part of the team that convicted Sen. Ted Stevens has killed himself. Attorney Robert Luskin says 37-year-old Nicholas A. Marsh committed suicide on Sunday amid an investigation into whether he and other prosecutors in the case against Stevens acted improperly. Allegations surfaced that information was not turned over to Stevens' defense team and Attorney General Eric Holder ultimately dismissed the case and vacated the guilty verdict.

## Parnell vs. "Frankenfish"

Governor Sean Parnell weighed in as the Federal Food and Drug Administration contemplates to approve genetically engineered Atlantic salmon for human consumption. Parnell said genetically engineered salmon poses significant potential threats to the environment, consumer health and the wild seafood industry. He sent off a letter to commissioner Margaret Hamburg asking for a report on environmental risks and impacts on wild stocks and said he was concerned about potential dangers associated with escaped genetically engineered fish.

## State releases study of fatal airplane crashes in Alaska

According to a study by the Alaska Department of Health and Social Services Section of Epidemiology, the number of fatal aviation crashes between January and August 2010 was higher than those compared to years past. This year alone, 19 people died and eight were seriously injured in ten plane crashes, not counting the military cargo plane that went down shortly after leaving Elmendorf and the plane that went missing at Katmai National Park.

The plane, its pilot and three pas-

sengers still have not been found. This year's flurry of plane accidents prompted the study. Although most of the crashes, including the crash that claimed the life of former Senator Ted Stevens and four others, are still under investigation, the study cites the wet and foggy weather as a possible culprit for the high number of plane tragedies.

"Besides being difficult to fly in, the long stretch of poor weather may have affected pilot proficiency by limiting time in the air," said Mary O'Connor with the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health, who co-authored the study. "Pilot hours may have been further reduced due to the high price of aviation fuel and other operational costs." The study recommends to continue crash prevention programs such as the Medallion Foundation's simulators and training programs, and Federal Aviation Administration and Alaskan Aviation Safety Foundation-sponsored safety seminars. The study also recommends that weather information should be enhanced and made easily available for pilots.

## High winds pummel south-



## central, Anchorage

High winds whipping through the Cook Inlet and Mat-Su Region over the weekend wreaked havoc with power lines, phone lines and caused massive disruptions of power supply. More than 200 trees fell on power lines, causing small fires and power outages for days. In some areas, the power was out for three days, while fire departments responded to hundreds of calls for service. In the Mat-Su area alone, 2,500 homes were without power on Friday and early Saturday.

# COMMUNITY CALENDAR

## September 30 - October 6

EVENT	PLACE	TIME
<b>Thursday, September 30</b>		
*Tennis (call ahead please)	Nome Rec Center	5:30 a.m. - 7 a.m.
*Nanook Swimming	Pool	6 a.m. - 7:30 a.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	7 a.m. - noon
*NACTEC	Pool	7:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.
*Lap/Open Swim	Pool	11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.
*School lunch main dish: <b>Sloppy Joe</b>	Nome Public Schools	11 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
*Tennis (call ahead please)	Nome Rec Center	noon - 2 p.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	1 p.m. - 10 p.m.
*Patient Benefits class	Prematernal Home	2 p.m.
*The Baby System-Baby and You video	Prematernal Home	4:30 p.m.
*Strength Training with Robin	Nome Rec Center	4:15 p.m. - 5:15 p.m.
*Lap Swim	Pool	5 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
*Nome Food Bank	Bering & Seppala	5:30 p.m. - 7 p.m.
*Kripalu Yoga with Kelly K.	Nome Rec Center	5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
*Water Aerobics	Pool	6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.
*City League Volleyball	Nome Rec Center	6:30 p.m. - 10 p.m.
<b>School Board Candidate Public Forum</b>	<b>Council Chambers</b>	<b>6 p.m.</b>
*Swing Dancing	Nome Rec Center	7 p.m. - 8 p.m.
*Thrift Shop	Methodist Church	7 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. ONLY
*City League Volleyball	Nome Rec Center	7 p.m. & 8:30 p.m.

## Friday, October 1

*Pick-up Basketball	Nome Rec Center	5:30 a.m. - 7 a.m.
*Lap Swim	Pool	6 a.m. - 7:30 a.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	7 a.m. - 10 a.m.
*NACTEC	Pool	7:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.
*Quiet Time	Kegoayah Library	10 a.m.
*Kindergym	Nome Rec Center	10 a.m. - noon
*School lunch main dish: <b>Pigs In A Blanket</b>	Nome Public Schools	11 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	noon - 8 p.m.
*Pathway to a Healthy Life video	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*Beginning Baton	Nome Rec Center	4 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.
*The First Years Last Forever video	Prematernal Home	4:30 p.m.
*Tae Kwon Do	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, October 2

*UMW Thrift Shop	Methodist Church	11 a.m. - 1 p.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	noon - 8 p.m.
*The Joys of Stress video	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*Choices in Childbirth video	Prematernal Home	4:30 p.m.

## Sunday, October 3

*Water Aerobics	Pool	1 p.m. - 2 p.m.
*New Baby Care video	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	2 p.m. - 8 p.m.
*Open Swim	Pool	2 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.
*Family Swim	Pool	3:30 p.m. - 5 p.m.
*Child Abuse and Neglect video	Prematernal Home	4:30 p.m.
*Lap Swim	Pool	5 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
*Pick-up Women's Basketball	Nome Rec Center	8 p.m. - 10 p.m.

## Monday, October 4

*Pick-up Basketball	Nome Rec Center	5:30 a.m. - 7 a.m.
*Lap Swim	Pool	6 a.m. - 7:30 a.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	7 a.m. - 10 a.m.
*NACTEC	Pool	7:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.
*Kindergym	Nome Rec Center	10 a.m. - noon
*School lunch main dish: <b>Pork Egg Rolls</b>	Nome Public Schools	11 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	noon - 10 p.m.
*Stages of Labor video	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*Beginning Yoga	Nome Rec Center	4:15 - 5:15
*Things my Mother Never Told Me video	Prematernal Home	4:30 p.m.
*Water Aerobics	Pool	6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.
*Tae Kwon Do	Nome Rec Center	6:45 p.m. - 8:45 p.m.
*Adult Drop-in Volleyball	Nome Rec Center	8 p.m. - 10 p.m.
*AA Meeting	Lutheran Church (rear)	8 p.m.

## Tuesday, October 5

*Nanook Swimming	Pool	6 a.m. - 7:30 a.m.
*Tennis (call ahead please)	Nome Rec Center	5:30 a.m. - 7 a.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	7 a.m. - noon
*NACTEC	Pool	7:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.
*School lunch main dish: <b>Lasagna</b>	Nome Public Schools	11 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
*Lap Swim	Pool	11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.
*Tennis (call ahead please)	Nome Rec Center	noon - 2 p.m.
*Social Services class	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	1 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
*Strength Training with Robin	Nome Rec Center	4:15 p.m. - 5:15 p.m.
*Breastfeeding 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. - 6:30 p.m.
*Nome Food Bank	Bering & Seppala	5:30 p.m. - 7 p.m.
*Open Swim	Pool	6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.
*City League Volleyball	Nome Rec Center	7 p.m. & 8:30 p.m.
*AA Teleconference: 1-800-914-3396	(CODE: 3534534#)	7 p.m.
*Thrft Shop	Methodist Church	7 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. ONLY
*Adult Drop-In Volleyball	Nome Rec Center	8 p.m. - 10 p.m.
<b>Municipal Election Day</b>		

## Wednesday, October 6

*Pick-up Basketball	Nome Rec Center	5:30 a.m. - 7 a.m.
*Lap Swim	Pool	6 a.m. - 7:30 a.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	7 a.m. - 10 a.m.
*NACTEC	Pool	7:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.
*Kindergym	Nome Rec Center	10 a.m. - noon
*School lunch main dish: <b>Chicken Nuggets</b>	Nome Public Schools	11 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
*Nome Beltz Jr. High Classes	Pool	11:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	noon - 10 p.m.
*Rotary Club	Airport Pizza	noon
*The Miracles of Life video	Prematernal Home	1:30 p.m.
*I am Your Child video	Prematernal Home	4:30 p.m.
*Family Swim	Pool	6 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.
*Tae Kwon Do	Nome Rec Center	6:45 p.m. - 8:45 p.m.
*Hello Central (also on Channel 98)	Nome Visitors Center	7:30 p.m.

## Community points of interest hours of operation:

Carrie McLain Memorial Museum	Front Street	noon - 5:30 p.m. (Tu - F)
		1 p.m. - 5 p.m. (Sa)
		closed on Sunday
Library Hours	Kegoayah Library	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. (M - F)



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# In their own words: Municipal candidates answer to the *Nugget*

The *Nome Nugget* sent out questionnaires to the candidates running for city council, school board and utility board seats in the Oct. 5 municipal election. Candidates were given 200 words to answer each of three questions. The following are the responses received by *The Nugget*.

## Nome Common Council Seat B: Jim West Jr., Cliff Johnson



**Jim West Jr.**  
(incumbent – appointed)

**1) Why should voters elect you? What do you hope to accomplish as a common council member?**

Born and raised in Nome, degree in business administration, own and operate various businesses here in Nome, 28-year member of the Nome Volunteer Fire and Search and Rescue Department, currently a captain, six-year member of the Nome Ambulance Department, 10-plus years as a member of the Local Emergency Planning Commission, past member of the Nome Joint Utility Board, 12 years and current chairman of the Nome Port Commission. I have been involved with and completed projects which include building the Port of Nome Phase 1 and Phase 2, building the new power plant, the continuing phases of upgrades on the water and sewer system, new public safety and equipment storage buildings, new landfill solid waste cell.

Preparing and growing Nome's future for the benefit of the younger generation through responsible fiscal management. Nome is a first-class city with outstanding city services that the people have come to enjoy. We have been very lucky

on being able to find the grant funding to help with the much needed upgrades throughout the city, utility, school systems.

**2) The planning commission has batted around the idea of annexation for the outlying areas of Nome. Would you be in support of expanding Nome's boundaries? If so, where and why?**

Yes. I am a supporter of annexation out to Rock Creek Mine, the facility is worth over \$200 million, adding that to the tax rolls would be a huge increase in revenue for the city, if they ever get up and operational, the city as a whole would then again benefit through economic development jobs and services keeping Nome green. There's got to be a happy medium balancing on expected services and cost of providing the services, it would be something definitely worth looking into spreading the costs over a larger tax base group.

**3) What are the top three issues facing the City of Nome? Please explain why each issue is a priority.**

A) The City of Nome has been very lucky in the past 10 years to be on the receiving end of federal dollars. With the political climate up in the air, we face the possibilities not being so fortunate, we now have to stay within our means and enjoy what we have built. With this funding we have upgraded our infrastructure, which we dearly needed and have to maintain the services to which all of Nome citizens have come accustomed.

B) The City of Nome does and will continue supporting the education system. Finding the balance is challenging but it must be done, for we are growing the future of Nome.

C) With the coming of global warming, the shipping lanes will be opened up more, making Nome a natural stopover point. We have seen over the past few years more activity out on the Bering Sea, and our port has seen an increased use. We need to one, either increase the length to get to a deeper depth to accommodate the larger vessels. This potential would help in lowering the freight cost to the people of Nome along with helping the economy by providing more local jobs. Nome is lucky to have two ports that could be developed, in town and out at Cape Nome. In my opinion, the development of Cape Nome, which is naturally deep, but without protection would be my first choice. This would push potential development out towards Cape Nome or adding to the existing causeway would be a little more expensive, but the result would be the same.

I would like to encourage everyone to get out and exercise your right to vote.

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**Cliff Johnson (challenger)**

**1) Why Should Voters Elect You? What do you hope to accomplish as a common council member?**

I think I would bring a different point of view to the city council, I like to think a new and maybe re-refreshing point of view. I would also hope that the voters would feel very comfortable and that I am very approach-

able, for being able to talk openly with me, to really address their concerns.

I want to accomplish an open and accessible means for communication, between the average community member and the city council.

**2) The planning commission has batted around the idea of annexation for the outlying areas of Nome. Would you be in support of expanding Nome's boundaries? If so, where and why?**

No. I would not support for annexation for the outlying areas of Nome. Nome has enough issues it needs to deal with, let alone take on more responsibility, just for the fact of creating more tax income and government rules and regulation! Believe it or not, more government is not always better.

**3) What are the top three issues facing the City of Nome? Please explain why each issue is a priority.**

1) Pro-development...I don't think the city as a whole has done all it can to help the small business owner in es-

establishing a good foundation for sustainability and growth. There should be some incentives in place for the small business owner, things like tax incentives, different cost-saving tools, like discounted services, etc.

2) Also do more to establish Nome as a developing hub for all government services, including different incentives, favorable conditions and terms for bargaining companies, construction companies, cruise, tour, mineral exploration, airlines, Coast Guard, Native corporations, and state and federal agencies.

3) Do more for the local taxpayer...Things like: On a case by case, I don't think we should have to pay to use the Mono-fill, (the old city dump/land fill (inert garbage) to tear down and get rid of a old abandoned eyesore building. It should be free, especially if it helps to make Nome a nicer, cleaner place to live. Things like that, it's the little things that help the average citizen taxpayer.

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**Nome Common Council Seat E: Jerald Brown**

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**Jerald Brown (incumbent – unopposed)**

**1) Why should voters elect you? What do you hope to accomplish as a common council member?**

I think that my background in finance is helpful with analyzing budgets and proposals. There are several items that I would like to see accomplished, including finalizing a smoking ordinance, making the playgrounds safer for our children by banning dogs in the playgrounds and possibly an ordinance regarding cell phone use while driving. I would also like to find a way to eliminate sales taxes on some basic essentials like groceries. Another goal I have is to see more use of renewable energy and energy efficiency in public and private buildings.

**2) The planning commission has batted around the idea of annexation for the outlying areas of Nome. Would you be in support of expanding Nome's boundaries? If so, where and why?**

This is an idea that has been discussed in various forms on and off for decades. I think there are still a lot of details to work out, such as whether we would create special service districts with lower tax rates. I think any annexation that would occur should encompass the power grid and include the areas that have children attending school in Nome.

**3) What are the top three issues facing the City of Nome? Please explain why each issue is a priority.**

Issues facing Nome include the high cost of everything—primarily linked to high energy costs, the easy access to alcohol for teens and other individuals that maybe should not be drinking, and the level of dust and other contaminants in the air from the traffic on the roads. I believe the struggles that have affected the school district over the last several months are not over, and that concerns me as well, as it seems to have polarized the community.

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**School Board Seat A: Jeri Ann Tomter, Marie Tozier**



**Jeri Ann Tomter**

**1) Why should voters elect you? What do you hope to accomplish as a school board member?**

Voters should elect me because I care about our schools and all kids in our community. My daughters, Katy and Elizabeth, go to school at Nome Public Schools and the future of our school district is very important to us.

One thing I hope to accomplish as a school board member is for us to come together as a community and to continue to support our teachers, school administrators and students. If we all step up and help, this community will continue to grow. We are a team and need to work together.

**2) What do you see as the most positive area or element within our district? What area or elements need the most improvement?**

People are the most positive area in our district. We have great students and staff. My kids have had wonderful teachers who have encouraged parent/guardian help and involvement in the classroom. I am an active parent helper in the classroom and see firsthand the positive effect it has on kids when parents help out.

The area that needs the most improvement is that there is so little parent/guardian help and volunteering in the schools. I encourage parents/guardians to talk with the teachers and ask how you can help out. If you can't help in the classroom, helping the teacher with a task or project from home is just as important. Teachers and kids appreciate any help we can give.

**3) Nome Public Schools has just come through a period of turmoil**

*with turnover in both the administrative and board ranks. Realizing there will always be differences of opinions in the community, what can the board do to help heal the rift that occurred and reassure the public that they are being heard?*

Our community has just gone through a very difficult time, in regards to Nome Public Schools. I would support having a board procedure training on how a school board operates for all school board members. Rather than sending all five board members out for board training, look into having a professional come to Nome and conduct the training here. It will save in airplane tickets, hotel rooms and per diem. In addition to board training, a review of the NPS Board Policy manual and Strategic Plan as a full board would also be a step forward together. I feel that the strategic plan is a good tool and implementing the timeline targets to reach the goals is realistic. I care about our community and schools. I will listen to concerns, and I will work together with others as a board member in a respectful manner to grow our community.

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**Marie Tozier**

**1) Why should voters elect you? What do you hope to accomplish as a school board member?**

My name is Marie Tozier. I hope that Nome voters elect me because they recognize my love of learning and commitment to education. I grew up in Nome. I attended Nome Elementary School and graduated from Nome-Beltz High School in 1989. I received an associate's degree in 2005 from the University of Alaska Fairbanks-Northwest Campus and a bachelor's degree in arts and sciences in 2008. In 1998, Tok and I decided to home-school our 4-year-old twins. Since then we have home-schooled our seven children. We are enrolled in NPS Ex-



tension Program, which offers a unique opportunity to home-school while participating in school activities and contributing to the community.

As a school board member, I would like to see improvement in the on-going battle against low test scores in our district. I believe that focusing on reading proficiency, at all grade levels, will improve overall school performance. Improvements in reading will be reflected in every other subject. I look forward to finding ways to involve the community in reaching this goal. If we can find ways to support young students learning how to read and older students improving their reading skills, we can demonstrate that we value each student.

**2) What do you see as the most positive area or element within our district? What area or elements need the most improvement?**

The greatest assets of our school district are our community and our students. Nome is a hub for diverse cultures and many groups who value education from preschool to college. Nome has a healthy Head Start program, an elementary school, a charter school, a high school, the extensions program,

NACTEC and Northwest Campus. Many businesses reward educational excellence by offering scholarships to students upon graduation. I am continually impressed with the students of Nome Public Schools. From sports to drama productions, our students find ways to excel that bring pride to Nome alumni, friends and family.

One area where I would like to see improvement is the performance gaps on standardized tests.

This is addressed in the NPS Strategic Plan in a number of ways. There are goals set for relevant curriculum, proficiency on state tests and parent mentoring. The most difficult part of the plan will be the implementation—to see these goals to reality. As a school board member I can offer experience in bridging parents with the education experience of their children. If elected, I will work towards meeting these goals.

**3) Nome Public Schools has just come through a period of turmoil with turnover in both the administrative and board ranks. Realizing there will always be differences of opinions in the community, what can the board do to help heal the rift that occurred and reassure the public that they are being heard?**

The school board can foster an open, respectful atmosphere to assure parents and the public that their concerns are valid and taken seriously by the board. The community should have adequate means to address their concerns: at board meetings and via personal contact with teachers, administrators and board members. Each member serves because they desire the best for their children and the students of Nome Public Schools, and should act with that as their guiding principle.

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**School Board  
Seat C: Betsy  
Brennan,  
Charles Pullock**



**Betsy Brennan**

**1) Why should voters elect you? What do you hope to accomplish as a school board member?**

I believe I am the best person for the job! I feel passionately that education is the key to success in life for all children. I was elected to a three-year term on the Nome School Board from October 2006 until October 2009. During those three years I worked hard, and missed just one board meeting. Since then, I have attended the majority of NPS board meetings and know the issues facing the district. I worked on the committee that developed the new Nome Public Schools Strategic Plan.

I have lived in Nome for 22 years and have served on various boards and organizations: The Nome Preschool Association board, Bering Sea Woman's Group board, Nome Community Center board, and the Nome PTSA. My husband and I are raising our two children, and I am proud they attend NPS. As a member of the Nome School Board, I can be involved in the community I love and use my talents. As a board member I hope to assist NPS staff realize the strategic plan and new vision statement: Students will be engaged in a quality education that ensures student proficiency through a challenging curriculum that embraces diversity and is culturally responsive.

**2) What do you see as the most positive area or element within our district? What area or elements need the most improvement?**

One of the most positive elements within our district is the new strategic plan that is now in place and approved by the school board. I was fortunate enough to be a part of the process in developing the plan this past year. I am excited about the outcome and have already seen many changes in the way the district is approaching education

and tackling areas of concern. An example: the changes made in the fifth and sixth grade. Another positive element is the wonderful staff of NPS. These dedicated people keep our school running and truly care for all our students. I think one area that needs more improvement is in the recruitment and retention of qualified staff. The district saw a large turnover in teaching staff this past year. Specifically, the district's special education department needs to be fully staffed at the beginning of each school year. This has been a problem for two years in a row. Another area needing improvement is exploring different ways to reach out to parents/guardians and encouraging their involvement in our schools. Studies show parent involvement in their children's education is one of the most important factors in student success.

**3) Nome Public Schools has just come through a period of turmoil with turnover in both the administrative and board ranks. Realizing there will always be differences of opinions in the community, what can the board do to help heal the rift that occurred and reassure the public that they are being heard?**

I believe one of the greatest things the Nome Public School Board can do is follow its own policy manual and bylaws and conduct all its business in an open and public manner in accordance to state law. This would go a long way in healing the rift and reassuring the public.

I also believe school board member training is very important. Board members are asked to make decisions on issues ranging from student safety to finances to personnel issues, and it is essential to receive proper training during their terms. Nome Public Schools is a member of the Statewide Association of Alaska School Boards. Board members should attend various workshops and trainings to help better educate themselves on their roles as elected officials. Board members who approach their jobs with a desire to become more knowledgeable will be more effective as board members.

The school board also should hold a yearly retreat or meeting to discuss the board's goals and develop and evaluate superintendent goals. The school board should also welcome open discussion by members of the public on a regular basis in work sessions and more informal settings.

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**Charles Pullock**

**1) Why should voters elect you? What do you hope to accomplish as a school board member?**

I have a bachelor's degree in rural development, and I believe that solutions for the school district can come from within the community. As a school board member, I am a visible member of this community, and I want to serve as an advocate and fair voice for each student, parents, guardians to



seek more understanding and communication between students/parents and the school. As a school board member, I will work hard to have a solid, unified board, so that the students, parents, teachers and administrators can achieve their desired goals.

**2) What do you see as the most positive area or element within our district? What area or elements need the most improvement?**

Back in May, when I went to the high school graduation, I witnessed this community award \$500,000 in scholarships to graduating students who are seeking to continue their higher education.

An area that needs most improvement is more kids need to stay in school, from the time they enter into the seventh grade and when they reach their senior year, need to support each student so they may graduate from Nome Beltz. Another area is more community involvement with academics and sporting activities; we as community members and graduates need to support the efforts of our kids of Nome.

**3) Nome Public Schools has just come through a period of turmoil with turnover in both the administrative and board ranks. Realizing there will always be differences of opinions in the community, what can the board do to help heal the rift that occurred and reassure the public that they are being heard?**

Each school board elected must be held accountable; school board members must represent every student and parent and the school district. The goal of the school board and administration is to ensure that more kids need to stay in school and not drop out. I believe the high school has a good principal who wants to see the kids succeed within his school. It's the school board's obligation to provide leadership and support so that the school and community can succeed.

A personal experience earlier this month, I had a chance to meet the new high school principal, Steve Gast; I was impressed with him. I had met him and in five minutes he had asked me to stop by his office for coffee. We as a community and school board must support good administrators.

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**School Board  
Seat E:  
Barb Amarok,  
Joe Lyon**



**Barb Amarok  
(incumbent – appointed)**

**1) Why should voters elect you? What do you hope to accomplish as a school board member?**

My name is Barb Amarok. Nome has been my family's home for five generations. I'm asking the community to elect me to the school board because I am passionate about education; my father and my aunt were teachers and I followed their examples. I have worked in the school classrooms, in the halls, in the offices where students have been sent, and in the conference room with administrators.

I have a vested interest in the effectiveness of the school because members of my family are always enrolled; currently, I have nine family members attending NPS.

As a school board member, I will continue to work diligently to support the administrators and teachers in our goals to decrease the dropout rate, address student needs and issues that affect their education, and advo-

cate for children and families.

Over the past year, a strategic plan was developed that the board and staff, with dedication and support from the community and local organizations, continue to implement. Areas that are being addressed are balanced and relevant curriculum, proficiency on state tests, making families feel welcome in the school, professional development for staff, and secure funding. I hope to help accomplish the goals outlined.

**2) What do you see as the most positive area or element within our district? What area or elements need the most improvement?**

The children of our community are precious; one of the most important local values is love for children. Each student matters and should be treated with respect. The backgrounds and traditions of families and the community need to be recognized so that the students look at themselves with pride.

Maximum learning takes place when students' programs are relevant and meaningful to them. Teaching and learning should be based on students' individual strengths and needs.

We need to work on making sure that each child feels secure in the school and in the classroom. We need to make sure that each student feels like he or she belongs and that all families feel like the school belongs to them. We need to make sure that each child feels a sense of achievement. We need to make sure that students relate school to their families. We need to make sure that student learning is related to the community and the local environment. Achievement and graduation will be the result and these are the areas that need improvement.

**3) Nome Public Schools has just come through a period of turmoil with turnover in both the administrative and board ranks. Realizing there will always be differences of**

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## School Board Seat E:

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*opinions in the community, what can the board do to help heal the rift that occurred and reassure the public that they are being heard?*

The devastating effects of the words and actions of last year are still being felt by many people. I will demonstrate and support forthcoming, upfront, positive and honest actions on the part of the board and the administration. Every member of the board must remember that there is value in every viewpoint and that no issue is black and white. We must speak and act in ways that demonstrate this.

I will continue to abide by the values of respect for others, cooperation, humility and hard work. I will

work, individually and as a member of the board, toward a cooperative relationship among the community, the board and the staff with a focus on actions and outcomes based on the needs of the students.

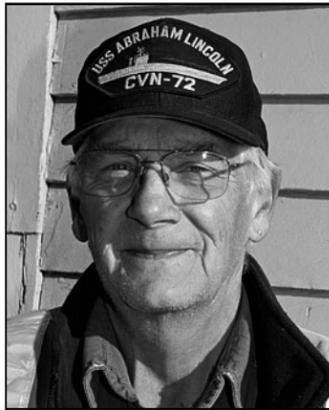
I would like to see everyone work together to improve education for all children in Nome.

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### Joe Lyon (challenger)

*1) Why should voters elect you? What do you hope to accomplish as a school board member?*

My family and I have lived in Nome since 1975. Many Nome citizens know I've worked at various jobs in this community. Any job that I have ever worked has been with the drive to do the best I can. If elected, I will do my very best. I want those who voted for me to always be glad they did. I hope to bring unity and balance to the Nome school board.



Personal agendas have no place there. The school board must be a service to all our students and parents.

*2) What do you see as the most positive area or element within our district? What area or elements*

*need the most improvement?*

The most positive element in our district, to me, is this. We are a very diverse community. We get along. We help our neighbors when they need help. We watch out for other people's children to keep them safe. This community is so giving when it comes to supporting our students and teams, both financially and morally. Even if it's not a first-place finish, we're still proud and we say, "you did your best, and that's all we ask!" The area I would like to see an improvement in is a sense of nationalism. What happened to the Pledge of Allegiance? Why can't the students sing the traditional Christmas songs? I would love to see an elementary and high school choir again in the schools.

*3) Nome Public Schools has come through a period of turmoil with turnover in both the administrative and board ranks. Realizing*

*there will always be differences of opinions in the community, what can the board do to help heal the rift that occurred and reassure the public that they are being heard?*

In a nutshell, what occurred with the school board should never have happened. Rules are in place to keep this kind of thing from ever happening. Now, to reassure that public and to gain trust towards the school board members, all the rules and policies must be followed to the letter. The public must be listened to and given an opportunity to have their say. They speak, we listen. Debate the issues/concerns and come to a consensus. Not everyone will be pleased with the outcome, but at least they should know we did our best to resolve an issue.

Thank you, and I would appreciate your vote.

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## Recalled baby formula found in Nome

Powdered infant formula that is subject to a national recall by the manufacturer has been found in Nome, according to the state Department of Health and Human Services.

According to the department, some of the state-purchased formula for the Women, Infants and Children program at local clinics in Nome and Bethel were part of the recall. On Sept. 22, Abbott Laboratories issued a voluntary recall for some of its Similac powder infant formula products. Abbott is conducting a voluntary recall of the formula because of the possibility that the product contains a small common beetle.

The products affected by the recall were identified by lot numbers on the bottom of the cans. According to the state, only cans of small powder WIC products with the letters "RB" in the lot code are affected by the recall.

The United States Food and Drug Administration said it determined that while the formula containing beetles and/or beetle larvae poses no immediate health risk, there is a possibility that infants who consume the tainted formula could experience symptoms of gastrointestinal discomfort.

Efforts to contact the Norton

Sound Health Corp. WIC department were unsuccessful as of press time.

Complete information on the recall, including all affected lot numbers, is available at: [www.similac.com/recall](http://www.similac.com/recall). Information from the WIC program on the recall and how to return or exchange the formula is available by following the links regarding the tainted formula at <http://health.hss.state.ak.us>.

According to Similac, the problem was found to have occurred in one area of a single manufacturing plant. The recall concerns the powdered product offered in plastic containers and product sold in 8-ounce, 12.4-ounce and 12.9-ounce cans. The company has a 24-hour toll-free number, (888) 376-2054, to call for information on the return process. The recall affects up to 5 million powder formulas sold in the United States, Guam and some Caribbean countries. The recall does not affect any liquid products.

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# Schmidt runs away with girls win, boys nab regional title

By Tyler Rhodes

Battling high winds and runners from nearly 20 teams, in pretty short order Rosa Schmidt found herself in a familiar position at Saturday's regional cross country meet in Nome—alone and in the lead.

With a cushion of more than a minute and a half between her and runner-up Jerrilyn Cleveland of Shungnak, Schmidt took the regional title and maintained her perfect season in races outside of Anchorage. Schmidt, a freshman, clocked a time of 23 minutes, 14 seconds, lopping nearly two minutes off her initial performance on the course in late August. As regional champ, Schmidt earns her way into the state meet this weekend in Anchorage.

Nome's Hannah Tozier will also be competing at state at Bartlett High School after placing 10th in the regional race at home. Finishing in 27:01, Tozier was more than five minutes ahead of her previous time on the course. To make it to state, a runner must either be part of a winning team or place in the top 15 individually.

On the boys' side, it was White Mountain's Asa Bergamaschi who took an early lead and held it until the end. Bergamaschi finished in 19:36, followed by Barrow's Sam George at 19:55. Nome's Jeremiah Johnson was the first Nanook to cross the line, placing third overall at 20:03.

Bergamaschi's individual win

helped seal the team title for White Mountain in the small schools division, with a score of 11 points, beating out Buckland, 19; Kiana, 24; Unalakleet, 38; and Shishmaref, 48. For the large schools, Nome dominated the standings, placing its five scoring runners in the top 11. Nome scored 28, followed by Kotzebue with 61 and Barrow with 80. Nome's varsity squad of seven will compete at Bartlett Saturday in the state meet.

Nome's Johnson led a pack of Nanooks through the finish chute with Sam Schmidt, Emerson Conger and Tim Sullivan placing fourth through sixth. Nathan Blandford capped Nome's scoring contingent with his 11th place finish. Jens Irelan placed 14th and Junyor Erikson was 20th to wrap up the Nanooks' performance on their home course. Two of Nome's runners who have put in strong varsity performances all season, Tim Schmidt and Dion Williams, were sidelined from the regional competition due to illness.

For the girls, Nome was unable to compete as a team since the Lady Nanooks only brought four runners to the line. Teams are required to field at least five runners, and Nome has competed all season just a runner shy of a full team. Beth Herzner was the third Lady Nanook to cross the line, finishing in 19th. Caitlin Tozier summed up Nome's effort with a 23rd place effort, roughly in the middle of the pack.

For the large schools, Barrow took

the girls' title with 23 points compared to Kotzebue's 32. Kiana topped the ranks for the smaller schools, scoring 13, followed by Point Hope, 21; Unalakleet, 23; Buckland, 25; and Gambell, 39.

Runners Saturday had to contend

not only with the steep climb that starts approximately a mile into the race, but also with a stiff headwind. Runners looked either determined or miserable, or perhaps a mix of both, as they fought their way up the climb that rises above the high school on

Anvil Mountain. The athletes, however, were treated to a long downhill and tailwind on the old Glacier Creek Road before hitting a series of trails to lead them back to the finish line at the high school.



Photo by Tyler Rhodes

**TOUGH CLIMB**—Barrow's Sam George chases after lead runner Asa Bergamaschi (White Mountain) and leads a group of runners up the long hill on Nome's cross country course during the regional championships Saturday. Following George are Emerson Conger, Nome; Irving Morris, Kiana; Jessie Ashenfelter, White Mountain; Sam Schmidt, Nome; and Jeremiah Johnson, Nome.

## Vote for Clifford Johnson



## Nome Common Council

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**2010 Regional Cross Country Meet**

Sept. 25, Nome

**Boys - team**  
Large schools: 1) Nome, 28; 2) Kotzebue, 61; 3) Barrow, 80.  
Small schools: 1) White Mountain, 11; 2) Buckland, 19; 3) Kiana, 24; 4) Unalakleet, 38; 5) Shishmaref, 48.

**Girls - team**  
Large schools: 1) Barrow, 23; 2) Kotzebue, 32.  
Small schools: 1) Kiana, 13; 2) Point Hope, 21; 3) Unalakleet, 23; 4) Buckland, 25; 5) Gambell, 39.

**Boys - individual**  
1) Asa Bergamaschi, White Mtn., 19:36; 2) Samuel George, Barrow, 19:55; 3) Jeremiah Johnson, Nome, 20:03; 4) Sam Schmidt, Nome, 20:04; 5) Emerson Conger, Nome, 20:10; 6) Timmy Sullivan, Nome, 20:16; 7) Linus Ballot, Buckland, 20:18; 8) Brad Reich, Kiana, 20:25; 9) Samuel Atkinson, Kotzebue, 20:26; 10) Jessie Ashenfelter, White Mtn., 20:30; 11) Nathan Blandford, Nome, 20:32; 12) Irving Morris, Kiana, 20:33; 13) Jens Irelan, Nome, 20:35; 14) Grant Magdanz, Kotzebue, 20:38; 15) Larry Jones, Selawik, 20:45; 16) Vincent Tomalonis, White Mtn., 21:05; 17) Jerome McCall, Kotzebue, 21:17; 18) Brettlyn Reich, Kotzebue, 21:31; 19) Marvin McCall, Kotzebue, 21:35; 20) Junyor Erikson, Nome, 21:37; 21) Nasuayaq Solomon, Barrow, 21:43; 22) Alexander Weyiouanna, Shishmaref, 21:47; 23) Matthew Rae, Kotzebue, 22:16; 24) Norman Clark, Buckland, 22:30; 25) Timothy Erlich, Kotzebue, 22:35; 26) Tory Sagoonick, Shaktoolik, 22:36; 27) Solomon Frankson, Point Hope, 22:45; 28) Ralph Stalker, Buckland, 22:48; 29) Aucha Johnson, Unalakleet, 22:49; 30) Stuart Towarak, Unalakleet, 23:07; 31) Danny Wells, Noorvik, 23:15; 32) William Aiken, Barrow, 23:21; 33) Preston Thomas, Buckland, 23:22; 34) Ianjon Brower, Barrow, 23:41; 35) Dominic Richardson, St. Michael, 23:44; 36) Dhanmark Angeles, Barrow, 23:46; 37) Amos Brown, White Mtn., 23:57; 38) Trenton Ballot, Buckland, 24:02; 39) Sayers Tuzroyluk, Point Hope, 24:20; 40) Michael Schuerch, Kiana, 24:21; 41) Chris Lockwood, Unalakleet, 25:00; 42) Andrew Kunayak, Gambell, 25:01; 43) Scotty Ashenfelter, White Mtn., 25:13; 44) Lawrence Nayokpuk, Shishmaref, 26:03; 45) Petey Lockwood, St. Michael, 27:30; 46) Jacob Straub, St. Michael, 27:31; 47) Ryneque Dan, Stebbins, 27:55; 48) Alex Sampson, Shaktoolik, 28:01; 49) Henry Ahgupuk, Shishmaref, 28:05; 50) Cody Murphy, Stebbins, 30:58; 51) Deric Moses, Unalakleet, 32:28.

**Girls - individual**  
1) Rosa Schmidt, Nome, 23:14; 2) Jerrilyn Cleveland, Shungnak, 24:54; 3) Ramey Gerke, Barrow, 25:03; \*Sierra Corsetti, Galena 25:41; 4) Darilyn Nelson, Kotzebue, 25:53; 5) Jenny Westlake, Kiana, 26:27; 6) Jamie Erlich, Kotzebue, 26:30; 7) Flora Simmonds, Barrow, 26:32; 8) Alaina Bankston, Barrow, 26:34; 9) Stephanie Nelson, Barrow, 26:39; 10) Hannah Tozier, Nome, 27:01; 11) Stephanie Sampson, Noorvik, 27:07; 12) Michelle Lane, Point Hope, 27:11; 13) Brianna Kirk, Noatak, 27:21; 14) April Prociw, Barrow, 27:33; 15) Corey Saccheus, Koyuk, 27:34; 16) Tiana Elkins, Barrow, 27:57; 17) Christina Westlake, Kiana, 28:29; 18) Tangi Henry, Selawik, 28:36; 19) Beth Herzner, Nome, 28:37; 20) Robin Commack, Selawik, 29:05; 21) Jonisha Wilson, Unalakleet, 29:11; 22) Ember Eck, Kotzebue, 29:30; 23) Caitlin Tozier, Nome, 29:54; 24) Paulianne Schaeffer, Kotzebue, 31:01; 25) Tahnee Esparza, Golovin, 31:14; 26) Donna Nash, Point Hope, 31:38; 27) Jennie Katchatag, Unalakleet, 31:48; 28) Esther Hadley, Buckland, 31:59; 29) Leah Thomas, Buckland, 32:02; 30) Laura Reed, Kiana, 32:19; 31) Courtney Hildreth, Kotzebue, 32:36; 32) Alison Bankston, Barrow, 32:41; 33) Cora Foster, Buckland, 33:04; 34) Dorinda Sagoonick, Shaktoolik, 33:28; 35) Kristina Apassingok, Gambell, 33:39; 36) Martha Tate, Kotzebue, 33:47; 37) Mamie Iyatunguk, Shishmaref, 34:40; 38) Valerie Apangalook, Gambell, 35:09; 39) Roberta Walker, Unalakleet, 35:34; 40) Heather Minix, Point Hope, 35:43; 41) Veronica Schaeffer, Kotzebue, 37:58; 42) Helen Minix, Point Hope, 40:07; 43) Irene Apassingok, Gambell, 42:54.

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**SMALL DANCER AND BIG DRUMS** (top)—Briana Muktoyuk, 2, is not shy to perform, she wore her pink well too.

# Teller hosts 6th cultural festival

**Story and photos by Denise Olin**  
 Attendance was great at the Sixth Annual Cultural Festival for Teller. The community of Teller hosted four dance groups, visiting Nomeites as well as regional attendees. Nomeites took advantage of Teller being 77 miles from Nome. Nomeites arrived by road in vast

numbers.  
 There were volunteers for everything from workshops to assisting in cleaning. The potluck was well stocked and well attended. Teller was proud to see the attendance this year and looks forward to hosting the festival again next year.



**WALRUS BARK** (above, left)—Masked Martin Kimoktoak, 7, and David Miller Jr. perform the walrus dance Sept. 25 at the Teller Cultural Festival.

**SMILE FOR THE CUSTOMERS** (left)—Francis Alvanna from the King Island dance group services his customers with a smile, selling carved ivory.



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### Utility Board Seat D: Berda Willson



**Berda Willson (unopposed)**

**1) Why should voters elect you? What do you hope to accomplish as a utility board member?**

I believe my years of experience serving on the utility board and working for the utility, prior to retirement, prepare me to be an effective board

member to represent the community. I am retired and live in Nome, and will work toward keeping the rates as low as possible while providing the most reliable service. In addition, I will advocate for expansion of services, both electric and water/sewer, and planning and implementation of cost-effective renewable energy.

**2) What role can/should renewable energy play in Nome's power supply? If you feel it should, how does Nome go about developing it or encouraging its development?**

Renewable energy should play an important role in Nome's power supply. There is thermal, natural gas, battery storage, solar, and other forms of renewable energy that may be feasible, and should be explored. The Nome Joint Utility continues to look at renewable energy options while striving to provide reliable diesel-generated power to its customers. Wind power appears to be the renewable energy of choice as demonstrated by the Banner Wind Farm. The problem is that wind power is only available when the wind is blowing, unless a solution is found to store the excess power, possibly in a battery. We cannot forget that diesel generation must be available immediately if the wind decreases or quits.

Natural gas is available in our area and could be a source of energy for generating electricity and heating; the new generators that the utility purchased can be converted to burn natural gas. I would insist that the renewable energy source is cost effective and would not be installed without assurance that it really will provide reliable and cheaper electricity to the consumer. I would like to see the State of Alaska step up with an energy plan and implementation funds that includes all of Alaska. I would also like to see the U.S. government get serious in converting to renewable and other energy sources here in America, and stop depending on foreign oil. Unless there is a change, the big oil companies will continue to make record profits and we will continue to pay high prices.

**3) What are the top three issues facing the utility board?**

The high cost of diesel fuel is No. 1, the need for affordable and reliable renewable energy is No. 2, and expansion of electric and water/sewer services is No. 3. There is a fixed cost of doing business that could be spread over a larger customer base if services were expanded, resulting in a lower fixed cost for all consumers.

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## Charles Pullock

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**CAPRICORN**  
December 22–January 19

Prepare to get bitten, Capricorn, but don't bite back. A friend is going through a rough patch and is lashing out. Freedom at home comes at a price.

**ARIES**  
March 21–April 19

Appearances can be deceiving, so don't judge a book by its cover, Aries. A financial matter deserves further investigation. You will like what you uncover.

**CANCER**  
June 22–July 22

Give in to your doubts, Cancer, and you won't make the impact you hoped for. Find a way to put them to rest once and for all. A relative tips you off.

**LIBRA**  
September 23–October 22

Peace comes when you least expect it, and all is right with the world once again, Libra. Travel arrangements hit a snag. Look to a mentor to help.

**AQUARIUS**  
January 20–February 18

You've been a little too free with your money. Scale back, Aquarius, before you get into trouble. A report you labor over receives rave reviews.

**TAURUS**  
April 20–May 20

There is light at the end of the tunnel. Keep at it, Taurus. Good days are ahead. An invitation to the event of the season arrives. Save the date!

**LEO**  
July 23–August 22

Pesky repairs make for a trying week, Leo. Fortunately, help is nearby. A project at work requires some big changes. Don't delay. Gather your team and get busy.

**SCORPIO**  
October 23–November 21

You're much too hard on yourself, Scorpio. You did what you could and now you need to move on. A windfall boosts your bottom line in more ways than one.

**PISCES**  
February 19–March 20

Laughter is the best medicine, so no matter how good or bad the week turns out, remember to smile and laugh about it, Pisces. A date draws near.

**GEMINI**  
May 21–June 21

Go ahead and take a risk, Gemini. You've got nothing to lose. The mad dash to clean up and uncover some papers ends in a panic. Relax and clarity will come.

**VIRGO**  
August 23–September 22

Honesty is the best policy, Virgo. Don't try to make the situation seem better than it is. Be frank about it and leave room for improvement.

**SAGITTARIUS**  
November 22–December 21

Press on in spite of the obstacles, Sagittarius, and success will be yours. A gift sets things right with a loved one and makes for a pleasant weekend.

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  18. Administer extreme unction to
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  20. Rooster's crows
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  24. Taste of some gums
  25. Loot
  28. Small freshwater cyprinoid fish
  30. "Carmina Burana" composer
  31. Brownish gray
  33. \_\_\_ gestae
  36. Cold and cloudy, e.g.
  40. 007, for one
  41. "The Second Coming" poet
  42. Opportune
  43. Active
  44. False name
  46. Fissile rock
  49. Literally, "for this"
  51. Unorthodox problem-solving approach
  57. On the safe side, at sea
  58. Bank
  59. 12th month of the Jewish calendar
  60. Bohemian, e.g.
  61. Gives forth
  62. Anger, with "up"
  63. "Where the heart is"
  64. Brown shade
  65. Its motto is "Lux et veritas"

**Down**

  1. Type of computer
  2. "I'm \_\_\_ you!"
  3. Auditory
  4. Warehouse vehicle
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  9. Figure skater's jump
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  32. Astern
  33. Drops from the sky
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  38. Always, in verse
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  46. Not just trim
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**Are Prayers Effective?**

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

“The prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective” - James 5:16b -

The Word of God tells us that, “the prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective.” I don’t know about you, but if there is one thing I want when I pray, it is to know that my prayers are going to be answered. I want my prayers to be “Powerful and Effective!” If this is what you and I desire to see when we pray, then we must strive to the best of our ability (with God’s help), to live a life of “Righteousness.” To live a righteous life in the world we live in today may seem like impossibility, but it’s not! When you or I give our life to Christ, we accept the fact that our sins are forgiven and brought under the blood of Jesus. Therefore, we also must accept the responsibility that comes with this new way of living we have entered into by becoming a follower and servant of our Lord Jesus Christ. We now have the privilege and honor of bringing glory and honor to our Lord by living each day according to his word. Our actions and our words are supposed to show those around us that we belong to Jesus, and that we are determined to live our lives each day for his glory. When we pray, we must believe that the Lord not only hears our prayers, but that he is going to answer our prayers. We must learn to pray “according to his will” just like Jesus prayed when he was in the Garden of Gethsemane just before his arrest and eventual death on the cross (Matthew 26:36-46).

Now I’ll be one of the first ones to admit that saying it is sometimes easier than doing it, but that still doesn’t mean that it’s impossible. It simply requires a desire on our part to put forth the effort to walk the walk and not just talk the talk. Each day we should show the love of Jesus to those with whom we interact. Whether it’s over a cup of coffee or a lunch meeting, the words we speak and the things we do should reflect the Lord we serve. We should also be reading and studying His Word so that we can learn how to be like Him more and more each day. This is part of living a life of righteousness.

My friends, it is my desire to see Jesus bless your and my life in every way possible. It is my desire to see our prayers answered and every one of our needs met. This is what he promised to do if we would do our part. In Matthew 6:33 Jesus tells us: “But seek first his kingdom and its righteousness and all these things will be given to you as well.”

So, as we go before the Lord in prayer, may we be striving to live a life of righteousness every day. May our hearts be sincere and your motives pure when we ask our heavenly father to answer our prayers. May our prayers become “powerful and effective!”



*Love and miss you  
Son, Brother,  
cousin, nephew and  
friend.*

*In Loving Memory  
of  
Preston Robin  
Keller  
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**Why some people benefit from a gluten free diet**

**Bob Lawrence, MD  
Alaska Family Doctor**

Gluten has become a food substance of interest for people looking for ways to eat a healthy diet. Some have claimed that avoiding gluten gives them a higher quality of life.

The claims are varied and hard to prove. Many people, including celebrities and alternative healthcare advocates, maintain that people gain increased energy and more effortlessly lose weight when they avoid gluten in the diet. Proponents of the gluten-free movement tend to focus on gluten as if it were a not-to-be-trusted hidden ingredient added to processed foods similar to trans-fats or high-fructose corn syrup.

It is true that gluten, a natural protein found in wheat, barley, and rye grains, is found throughout the American diet in breads, cereals, baked goods, and processed foods where wheat gluten is used as a thickening agent.

However, the extent to which gluten is a cause of disease in the general population is probably quite low.

Most people lose weight and feel better when switching to a gluten-free diet because to do so requires a person to replace high-carbohydrate foods with vegetables and high-fiber grains other than wheat. It is likely that these same people would lose weight and feel better by simply increasing their intake of vegetables while decreasing their intake of simple carbohydrates.

Medically speaking, gluten can cause serious disease in a small group of people who have a genetic condition of gluten intolerance called Celiac Sprue. A person with this disorder basically loses the lining of their small intestine if they eat any foods with gluten. This makes it hard to absorb nutrients including fats, vitamins, and proteins.

Patients with Celiac Sprue often suffer from gastrointestinal symptoms like stomach cramps, diarrhea, and malnutrition. The condition can also be associated with an intensely itchy rash called dermatitis herpetiformis, metabolic disorders like diabetes mellitus type I, or neurologic problems secondary to poor absorption of calcium.

A somewhat larger group of

people may have a sensitivity or allergy, not merely to gluten, but to any of the proteins in wheat or similar grains. Unlike a gluten intolerance, protein allergies induce an immune response where the body goes into attack mode having mistaken the wheat protein for a bacteria, virus, or fungus.

Symptoms range from itchy eyes and hives to bronchospasm



with wheezing and potentially anaphylactic shock.

A puzzling subset of this disorder only affects people if they exercise right after eating wheat-containing foods.

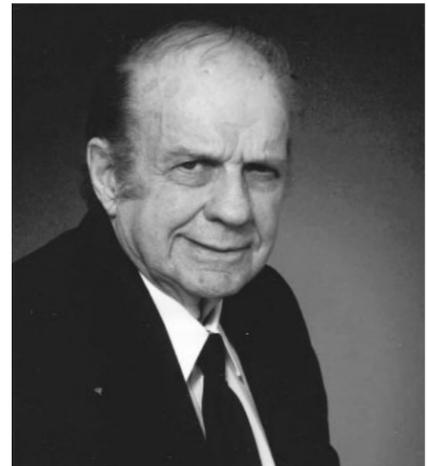
Other affected individuals develop a form of asthma, called baker’s asthma, when breathing wheat or other flour dust.

The primary treatment for any medical disorder related to wheat ingestion is avoidance of wheat-containing products. Lowering the intake of gluten in the diet has become easier due to the current popularity of gluten-free products, but a true gluten-free diet requires significant forethought and may be entirely unnecessary. For example, a gluten-free diet will not help if symptoms are secondary to an unrelated intolerance of milk, nuts, or eggs.

For this reason, if you think you have a problem with gluten or wheat products, ask your doctor about simple tests to determine your specific risk of allergy or intolerance.

Before your visit, you may find it helpful to keep a food diary in which you record the specific foods you eat and the symptoms you experience after eating these foods. This diary will become an invaluable tool for you and your provider if together you decide to initiate a food elimination program.

*In Loving Memory*



*James D. West, Sr.  
Oct. 1, 2009*

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*Gladys, Stephanie and Kimberly*

*Church Services Directory*

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

**Community Baptist Church-SBC**  
108 West Third, 443-5448 • Pastor Bruce Landry  
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.

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

**Nome Covenant Church**  
101 Bering St. 443-2565 • Pastor Harvey  
Sunday School 10 a.m./Worship 11 a.m.

**Wednesday Youth Group** 7 p.m. (call 443-7218 for location)  
**Friday Community Soup Kitchen** 6 p.m. - 7 p.m.

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

**Sunday School** 9:45 a.m. & 2:30 p.m.  
**Sunday Quiet Communion** 2:30 p.m.

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

**St. Joseph Catholic Church, 443-5527**  
Corner of Steadman & King Place

**Mass Schedule: Saturday** 5:30 p.m./**Sunday** 10:30 a.m.

**Seventh-Day Adventist**  
(Icy View), 443-5137

**Saturday Sabbath School** 10 a.m.  
**Saturday Morning Worship** 11 a.m.

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**NOTICE OF JOB VACANCY POSITION DESCRIPTION**  
**JOB TITLE: Transportation Specialist/Planner**  
 POSITION STATUS: Regular, Full-time  
 EXEMPT STATUS: Non-Exempt  
 REPORTS TO: King Island Native Community IRA Council  
 CLOSES: Open Until Filled  
 Contact King Island Native Community @ 443-2209 for more information and an application.  
 9/16-23-30-10/7

**Kawerak Children & Family Services Division – Recruitment Notice – 09/17/2010 to close of business on 10/01/2010.**

**DIVISION:** Children and Family Services  
**JOB TITLE: Tribal Family Coordinator**  
**POSITION STATUS:** Regular Part-Time  
**EXEMPT STATUS:** Non-exempt  
**PAY SCALE GRADE:** 9-10-11-12 (\$18.99 – \$26.29)  
**DOE**  
**REPORTS TO:** Children & Family Services Program Director  
**LOCATION:** Shaktoolik, Alaska  
**QUALIFICATIONS:**  
 1) High School Diploma or GED equivalent plus six (6) months experience in the human services field.  
 2) Must possess basic computer knowledge and skills in Windows, Internet usage, Microsoft Excel and Word software.  
 3) Must possess strong oral and written communication, organizing and record keeping skills.  
 4) Must possess strong work ethics.  
 5) Must be able to maintain client confidentiality.  
 6) Must be willing to travel.  
 7) No prior convictions of child abuse, family violence or other convictions that would affect the performance of the position requirements.  
 8) Subject to random drug testing.

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). 9/23-30

**Nome Eskimo Community**  
 is recruiting for the position of TRIBAL SERVICES DIRECTOR  
 Status: Regular, Full-Time  
 Salary: \$25.24 - \$30.14/hr. DOE  
 Open Until Filled  
 FOR A JOB DESCRIPTION AND APPLICATION CONTACT  
 Josie Stiles, Human Resources Manager  
 Nome Eskimo Community  
 P.O. Box 1090  
 Nome, AK 99762  
 PHONE: (907) 443-2246  
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[jstiles@gci.net](mailto:jstiles@gci.net)  
 9/30; 10/7

**Norton Sound Economic Development Corporation (NSEDC) is currently recruiting for the following positions:**  
 • Facilities and Refrigeration Engineer (Nome) is responsible for the proper operation of Norton Sound Seafood Products' facilities and equipment in Norton Sound. This is a 12 month po-

sition with a greater amount of the responsibilities and effort concentrated between June and November.

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 • Southern NSSP Operations Manager (Unalakleet) is responsible for all Southern NSSP operations including the buying and processing of seafood products, maintenance of all associated documents, procurement of operational supplies and materials, management of employees, and overseeing maintenance and operations of facilities. Southern Norton Sound fisheries include Coho, pink, Chinook, chum, herring bait and herring sac roe.  
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**Kawerak Natural Resources Division – Recruitment Notice – 09/27/2010 to close of business on 10/11/2010.**

**DIVISION:** Natural Resources  
**JOB TITLE: Land Management Specialist II**  
**POSITION STATUS:** Regular Full Time  
**EXEMPT STATUS:** Non-Exempt  
**PAY SCALE GRADE:** 12 – 13 – 14 (\$22.67-29.58) DOE  
**REPORTS TO:** Land Management Services Director  
**Location:** Nome, Alaska  
**QUALIFICATIONS:**  
 1) Bachelor's Degree in Rural Development or related field or four years experience in comparable position.  
 2) Must possess strong oral and written communication skills and organizational skills.  
 3) Willingness to travel extensively in rural Alaska.  
 4) Must possess basic knowledge of cartography; including reading survey plats, master title plats, writing/reading legal descriptions and relating real world features to topographic maps, as needed, for field work.  
 5) Knowledge of computer mapping: Arc View, and basic aerial photo interpretation preferred.  
 6) Knowledge of Bering Straits Region.  
 Native Preference per Public Law 93-638.  
 Interested individuals may contact Human Resources with questions at 907-443-5231. Applications can be accessed via Kawerak's website at [www.kawerak.org](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). 9/30-10/7

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## Seawall

**9/21**  
 Parson Noongwook, 46, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Assault 4°, DV.

**9/22**  
 William Soonagrook, Jr., 47, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Assault 4°, DV and Violating Conditions of Probation.

Harold Prentzel, 52, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Violating Conditions of Release.

Jennifer Russell, 29, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Violating Conditions of Probation.

**9/23**  
 Donald Douglas, 32, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Assault 4°, DV.

Yvonne Muktooyuk, 47, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Violating Conditions of Probation.

**9/25**  
 Yvonne Pete, 20, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Assault 4° and Habitual Minor Consuming Alcohol.

Marvin Okleasik, 52, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Criminal Trespass and Drunk on Licensed Premises.

Chris Dickson, 26, was arrested and remanded to AMCC on an Arrest Warrant.

**9/26**  
 Zachary Nashalook, 26, was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Violating Conditions of Probation.

During this reporting period 11 persons were transported to the hospital for a Title 47, Protective Custody Hold.

## Trooper Beat

On September 22, Village Public Safety Officer Lucas Stotts in Shaktoolik received a report of an assault in the village. His investigation revealed that Tim Katchatag, 54, of Shaktoolik had assaulted his sister and her boyfriend with an axe. The boyfriend sustained a small cut to his head and the sister a bruised and possible broken arm. Both were treated and released from the Shaktoolik Clinic. Katchatag was arrested without incident and is going to be telephonically arraigned on two counts of Assault in the Second Degree. All parties were intoxicated.

On September 22, St. Michael Village Police Officers arrested Tim Lockwood, 30, of St. Michael for assaulting a juvenile. Investigation revealed Lockwood was intoxicated and had physically assaulted the juvenile for no reason, he was also found to be violating his probation. Lockwood was held at the St. Michael jail and then transported to Nome for arraignment on a charge of Assault in the Fourth Degree and a Probation Violation.

On September 22, WAANT Investigators contacted John A Rock, 30, of Shaktoolik following a drug tip that was received. Investigation revealed Rock had 203 grams of marijuana concealed inside of his luggage. The marijuana was seized and Rock was arrested and remanded at the Anchorage Correctional Complex. Bail was set at \$5000.00.

On September 23, Stebbins VPOs arrested Brian Steve, 41, of Stebbins for assaulting his wife on September 22. She was treated and released from the Stebbins clinic for a cut to her head. Steve was transported to Nome for arraignment on a charge of Assault in the Fourth Degree. Alcohol was involved.

## Legals

**DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR Bureau of Land Management F-40300, F-40313**  
 Alaska Native Claims Selection  
**ACTION:** Notice of decision approving lands for conveyance

**SUMMARY:** As required by 43 CFR 2650.7(d), notice is hereby given that an appealable decision approving the surface and subsurface estates in certain lands for conveyance pursuant to the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act will be issued to Bering Straits Native Corporation. The lands are in the vicinity of Mary's Igloo, Alaska, and are located in:

**Kateel River Meridian, Alaska**  
 T. 6 S., R. 30 W.,  
 Secs. 13 and 22.  
 Containing approximately 294 acres.

Notice of the decision was published in the Federal Register on August 31, 2010.

**DATES:** The time limits for filing an appeal are:  
 1. Any party claiming a property interest which is adversely affected by the decision shall have until **September 30, 2010** to file an appeal.

2. Parties receiving service of the decision by certified mail shall have 30 days from the date of receipt to file an appeal.  
 Parties who do not file an appeal in accordance with the requirements of 43 CFR Part 4, Subpart E, shall be deemed to have waived their rights.

**ADDRESS:** A copy of this decision may be obtained from:  
 Bureau of Land Management  
 Alaska State Office  
 222 West Seventh Avenue, #13  
 Anchorage, Alaska 99513-7504  
**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, CONTACT:** The Bureau of Land Management by phone at **907-271-5960**, or by e-mail at [ak.blm.conveyance@ak.blm.gov](mailto:ak.blm.conveyance@ak.blm.gov), Jennifer L. Noe  
 Land Law Examiner  
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- Clinical Associate

For a complete list of our vacancies and more information, please go to [www.nortonsoundhealth.org](http://www.nortonsoundhealth.org) or visit the NSHC Human Resources Department.

Norton Sound Health Corporation  
 NSHC Human Resources Department  
 306 W 5th Ave  
 Nome, AK 99762  
 907-443-4530

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### Six blast through triathlon

A sunny but windy September 19 greeted the six individual participants in the Second Annual September Blast Triathlon. Sponsored by the high school swim team, participants swam 1,000 meters, ran six miles and biked six miles. The wind was a factor – both good and bad. During the bicycle portion, the wind was mostly against the riders. However there was one section where everyone reported that the wind, coupled with downhill terrain caused them to go so fast that their legs could not keep up with the speed of the pedals. Unfortunately, this section was rather short.

Thanks to the cross country team for having a nice three-mile trail that gave participants quite a variety: uphill, downhill, road running and off road running.

**Everyone was a winner:**

Fastest overall: Phil Hofstetter 1:23:35  
 Fastest under 18 years of age: Nathan Blandford 1:37:56  
 Fastest female finisher: Jane Lando 1:51:50  
 Fastest first time participant: Robert Lawrence 1:55:30  
 Fastest in the 19 to 29-year-old group: Darcee Perkins 2:11:00  
 Fastest most frequent participant: Christine Schultz 2:43:30

A special thanks to everyone who helped put on this event: Nanook swimmers Nathan Blandford, Kaylene Evans, Nick Morgan, Jake Stettenbenz, Zach Sullivan; Sharon Keeney, Lawrence family, Bob Lewis, Terri Perkins, Janeen Sullivan, Susanne Thomas and Erin Forton. Zach and Jake swam a mile for fun while awaiting the winners and Kaylene swam 1,000 meters, also for fun while folks were out on the trail.

decision within the following time limits:  
 1. Unknown parties, parties unable to be located after reasonable efforts have been expended to locate, parties who fail or refuse to sign their return receipt, and parties who receive a copy of the decision by regular mail which is not certified, return receipt requested, shall have until October 4, 2010 to file an appeal.  
 2. Parties receiving service of the decision by certified mail shall have 30 days from the date of receipt to file an appeal.  
 Parties who do not file an appeal in accordance with the requirements of 43 CFR Part 4, Subpart E, shall be deemed to have waived their rights.

**ADDRESSES:** A copy of the decision may be obtained from:  
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 Anchorage, Alaska 99513-7504  
**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, CONTACT:** The Bureau of Land Management by phone at 907-271-5960, by e-mail at [ak.blm.conveyance@blm.gov](mailto:ak.blm.conveyance@blm.gov), or by telecommunication device (TTD) through the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339, 24 hours a day, seven days a week.  
 Eileen Ford  
 Land Transfer Adjudication Specialist  
 Land Transfer Adjudication II Branch  
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 9/9-16-23-30/10/7

**IN THE SUPERIOR COURT FOR THE STATE OF ALASKA**  
**SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT AT NOME**  
 CASE NO: 2NO-10-00062CI  
**ORDER FOR HEARING, PUBLICATION AND POSTING**  
 In the Matter of a Change of Name for:  
**Shirley Mayougealuk Kugzruk**,  
 Current name of Minor.

• **More Legals**

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**Notice of Petition to Change Name**

A petition has been filed in the Superior Court (Case # 2NO-10-00062CI) requesting a name change from (current name) Shirley Mayougealuk Kugzruk to Shirley Darlene Noyakuk. A hearing on this request will be held on **October 15, 2010 at 11:30 am at Nome Courthouse, 113 Front Street PO Box 1110 Nome, AK.** 9/9-16-23-30/10

**(HCD) PLAN FOR ALASKA 2006-2010: SFY 2010 Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report**

**NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR PUBLIC COMMENT**

The SFY10 Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER) will be available for comment on September 11, 2010. The report can be viewed or downloaded from the internet at <http://bit.ly/6iNa1w>. You may also request a hard copy by e-mailing [ocedano@ahfc.state.ak.us](mailto:ocedano@ahfc.state.ak.us) or by calling Oscar Cedano at 907 330-8417. The CAPER has three parts

- Part 1 outlines the resources made available in the State during the past fiscal year as compared with the annual funding plan summary contained in the SFY2010 Annual Action Plan and describes the number and characteristics of Alaskans benefiting from the investment of those resources. This part also contains program-specific information on how the State has utilized its annual entitlements of CDBG, HOME and Emergency Shelter Grant funds.
- Part 2 recaps other actions taken by the State of Alaska to further the goals and principles of the HCD Plan, again compared to the specific actions outlined in the 2010 Annual Action Plan.
- Part 3 assesses the progress the State has made in meeting its overall five-year HCD Plan priorities, and discusses any changes anticipated as a result of the findings of the one-year progress assessment.

The deadline for public comments is 5:00 p.m., September 27, 2010. You may submit your comments: by e-mail to [ocedano@ahfc.state.ak.us](mailto:ocedano@ahfc.state.ak.us); by FAX to Oscar Cedano, AHFC Planning and Program Development, 907-338-2585; or by mail to Oscar Cedano, AHFC Planning and Program Development, P.O. Box 101020, Anchorage, AK.

• **Arctic ship traffic**

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investigate and shape policy issues that impact the residents of the north. One of the most rapidly changing issues in the Arctic is the climate, the sea ice and the loss thereof. With more areas of open seas in the summer, international shipping companies look to the Arctic Ocean, the Beaufort and Chukchi seas as well as the Bering Strait for shorter shipping routes. In order to deal with the unprecedented task to figure out how to address Arctic marine safety and marine environmental protection, the Institute issued a workshop report that builds on the Arctic Marine Shipping Assessment, a groundbreaking report published last year by the Arctic Council.

The most important issues identified in the so called AMSA report are to develop the polar code that would install mandatory rules for polar ship construction, design, operations and ice navigation competence. Also identified as crucial policy issues were Arctic Search and Rescue agreements to be in place by 2011 and to implement an Arctic observing network to support scientific research and marine operations.

In addition to Arctic marine safety, including both cargo and passenger vessels, the protection of the local people and the environment was named as a high priority. AMSA recommendations include that Arctic states should conduct surveys on marine use by indigenous communities and to develop effective communications with those far-flung coastal communities to include them in the economic boon that may materialize with increased shipping.

It also advocates for designated areas for environmental protection, protection from invasive species, oil spill prevention and to further study effects of ship noise and disturbances of marine mammals. The workshop involved scientists from UAF, several federal agencies, the US Coast Guard, Norwegian, Chinese, Canadian, Japanese and English researchers, as well as shipping companies like Crowley and Holland America Lines. Nome mayor Denise Michels was also a participant.

99510-1020. Comments must be received by the above deadline to be included in the SFY10 CAPER Report to HUD.

**City of Nome - Nome Recreation Center Electrical Upgrades Project Invitation to Bid**

The City of Nome will receive sealed bids for Nome Recreation Center Electrical Upgrades Project at Nome City Hall, 102 Division Street, PO Box 281, Nome, Alaska 99762. Bids will be received at Nome, Alaska until 4:00 pm local time, October 18, 2010. Bids will be opened publicly and read aloud at 4:05 pm local time, October 18, 2010. Bidders must be licensed contractors with the State of Alaska. The City of Nome reserves the right to reject any and all bids, to waive informalities, and to reject non-conforming, non-responsive, or conditional bids. Bid documents are available to interested bidders at the office of the City Clerk, PO Box 281, Nome, Alaska 99762. The contact number is 907 443 6612. The cost for each set is a non-refundable fee of \$25 per set. There is an additional \$15 shipping fee, if applicable. Bid Documents will be available after 2:00 P.M. September 23, 2010. Checks are to be made payable to the City of Nome. One complete set of Bid Documents for each project will also be available for review at The Plans Room, 4831 Old Seward Highway, Suite 102, Anchorage, Alaska 99503 (907-563-2029) and at Nome City Hall. 9/23-30

**IN THE SUPERIOR COURT FOR THE STATE OF ALASKA SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT AT NOME CASE NO: 2NO-10-00240CI ORDER FOR HEARING, PUBLICATION AND POSTING**

In the Matter of a Change of Name for:

**Amber N. Bradley,** Current name of Adult. **Notice of Petition to Change Name**

A petition has been filed in the Superior Court (Case # 2NO-10-0040CI) requesting a name change from (current name) Amber N. Bradley to Amber N. Ryan. A hearing on this request will be held on **October 25, 2010 at 4:00 pm at Nome Courthouse, 113 Front Street PO Box 1110, Nome, AK.** 9/23-30-10/7-14

CITY OF NOME

**O-10-09-07 An Ordinance Amending Section 13.25.060 Prohibiting Overnight Camping and the Erection of Temporary Residential Structures and Storage of Personal Property to Expand the Area Included Within the Prohibition Southward to an Area Adjacent to the Southernmost Portion of Lot 61A, Block 57.**

**O-10-09-08 An Ordinance Amending Sections 10.30.030(a) Of the Nome Code of Ordinances to Prohibit Dogs from Anvil Square and Specific Playgrounds in Nome.**

**O-10-09-09 An Ordinance Accepting the Grant of a Right of Way Easement Over Lucy's Way.**

These ordinances had first reading at the regular meeting of the Nome City Council on Sept 27, 2010 at 7:30 PM and were passed to second reading, public hearing and final passage at a regular meeting of the Council scheduled for **October 11 at 7:30 PM** in City Council Chambers of City Hall located at 102 Division Street. Copies of the ordinances are available in the office of the City Clerk.

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**Public Announcement For Nome Residents and Visitors**

Due to planned environmental investigation activities at the former West Nome Tank Farm site **please expect lane closures along Port Road during the morning hours of Saturday, October 2nd and/or Sunday, October 3rd 2010.** Please follow signs and be aware of site workers. Thank you for your cooperation.

For more information, please contact:

**Steve Hunt**  
**Project Manager, 611 CES/CEAR**  
**(907)552-4869 [steve.hunt@elmendorf.af.mil](mailto:steve.hunt@elmendorf.af.mil)**

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**Federal Subsistence Meeting**  
The public is invited.

**October 13-14** starting at 8:30 a.m.  
Aurora Inn Conference Room  
Nome, Alaska

The **Seward Peninsula Subsistence Regional Advisory Council** will meet to discuss proposals to change subsistence fishing regulations and other issues related to subsistence in the Seward Peninsula Region. For more information, contact Alex Nick (907) 543-1037 or (800) 621-5804 ext. 257.

For more information on the Federal Subsistence Management Program visit: <http://alaska.fws.gov/asm/home.html>

If you need special accommodations for disabilities, such as sign language interpretation, please contact the council coordinator at least one week before the meeting.

**NOTICE OF PROPOSED DEBT SALE**

Notice is hereby given by the State of Alaska State Bond Committee in compliance with Alaska Statute 37.15.015(a) related to the proposed \$397.2 million issuance of general obligation bonds to be considered in the 2010 general election.

- The current total bonded indebtedness of the State is \$475.8 million.
- The annual cost of debt service on the current indebtedness is \$54 million.
- The projected amount of general obligation debt that could be issued and paid for from the Alaska debt retirement fund is zero.
- The estimated annual debt service on the bond issue being offered for ratification is estimated at \$26 million.
- The bond issue being offered for ratification will not be repaid with amounts in the Alaska debt retirement fund.



/s/ Deven Mitchell, Debt Manager  
State of Alaska  
Department of Revenue  
Dated: September 8, 2010

9/16-23-30

**CITY OF NOME**

**PUBLIC NOTICE OF IDENTITY OF CANDIDATES**

The following persons have filed for elected office in the October 5, 2010 City of Nome Municipal, Utility Board and School Board Election:

<b>CITY COUNCIL</b> <b>Seat B (Term ends 2011)</b>	<b>REMAINDER OF THREE (3) YEAR TERM</b> Johnson, Cliff West, James D. Jr.
<b>CITY COUNCIL</b> <b>Seat E</b>	<b>THREE (3) YEAR TERM</b> Brown, Jerald
<b>CITY COUNCIL</b> <b>Seat F</b>	<b>THREE (3) YEAR TERM</b> Smith, Tim Stiles, Josie
<b>UTILITY BOARD</b> <b>Seat B</b>	<b>TWO (2) YEAR TERM</b> Moody, Fred H.
<b>UTILITY BOARD</b> <b>Seat D</b>	<b>THREE (3) YEAR TERM</b> Willson, Berda
<b>SCHOOL BOARD</b> <b>Seat A (Term ends 2011)</b>	<b>REMAINDER OF THREE (3) YEAR TERM</b> Tomter, Jeri Ann Tozier, Marie
<b>SCHOOL BOARD</b> <b>Seat C (Term ends 2012)</b>	<b>THREE (3) YEAR TERM</b> Brennan, Betsy Pullock, Charles
<b>SCHOOL BOARD</b> <b>Seat E</b>	<b>THREE (3) YEAR TERM</b> Amarok, Barbara Lyon, Joe

Any person having information intending to establish that any candidate may be ineligible to fill the office for which he or she has declared may challenge the eligibility of the candidate to hold office. A challenge may be submitted at any time preceding the date and time of the municipal election and must be submitted to the City Clerk, City Hall, located at 102 Division Street, Nome, Alaska. Camille Ten Eyck, Acting City Clerk

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**Unalakleet Native Corporation**

To the Unalakleet Native Corporation Shareholders:

Nomination forms are now available for shareholders interested in running for two (2) year term for the Board of Directors. Closing date is **3rd of October 2010**. Please write to **Box 100** or call at **(907) 624-3411** to request a nomination form.

Unalakleet Native Corporation  
P.O. Box 100  
Unalakleet, Alaska 99684  
PH:# (907) 624-3411  
Fax: # (907) 624-3833

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**Mary's Igloo Native Corporation Annual Shareholders Meeting**

All proxies should be mailed to the Inspector of Election of MINC. The Annual Meeting of Shareholders will be held in **Teller, Alaska on November 13, 2010 @ 1:00pm** for the purpose of:

- 1) Election of five (5) directors
- 2) Approve minutes of May 18, 2010 that also served as November 10, 2009 Annual Meeting of Shareholders.
- 3) Transact such other business as may properly be brought before the meeting.

Shareholders wishing to be elected (Nominees) to the Board of Directors of MINC should send a **NOTICE OF INTENT before September 15, 2010 to:**

Inspector of Elections  
Mary's Igloo Native Corporation  
PO BOX 650  
Teller, Alaska 99778

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## • Port Commission

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of current port leases and their annual value to the commission. Crowley Marine Services leases 86,062 feet for \$18,900. Northland Services leases 71,043 feet for \$66,280. Nome Joint Utility System leases space for an office trailer for \$6,000, and Twin Peak Construction leases 9,000 square feet for \$7,707.

Baker said others who use port land for temporary storage pay rent based on seasonal or annual rates. She said Alaska Logistics could lease a 200-by-100 foot spot at the port,

but currently is renting the space.

### Harbormaster's report

Baker reported the following cargo activity at the causeway in August. Incoming cargo totaled 2,825 tons with 121 tons outbound and 906 tons shipped through to villages. Gravel exported from the causeway totaled 25,838 tons and accounted for most of the traffic at the Westgold Dock. Inbound fuel amounted to 3.5 million gallons with none shipped out.

Cargo in the inner harbor came in at 3,188 tons in July with 1,448 tons outbound or through (village freight)

at the barge ramp. Fuel exported in the harbor was 130,699 gallons with 96,169 gallons transferred over-side (vessel to vessel).

A large volume of contaminated soil from St. Lawrence Island and Unalakleet and a large amount of scrap metal from Port Clarence came in to the port pad (industrial park) in August. All of this cargo has been staged for southbound shipment on mainline sailings.

July invoicing totaled \$317,099 for all port facility operations.

### Upcoming events

Bahnke said Congressman Don Young hopes to tour port improvement projects when he visits Nome on Oct. 8.

She also reported that PND is developing cost estimates for high mast lighting and electrical upgrades for the causeway for a funding proposal the city plans to submit to the Denali Commission by Nov. 3.

Commissioners present at the meeting were Jim Adams, Charlie Lean, Campbell Kristenson and Jim West, Jr., chairman. Jeff Darling was absent.

**The 37th Wales Native Corporation Annual Shareholders' Meeting will be held in Wales, Alaska on Friday, October 8, 2010 and the doors will be open at 1:00 p.m. for registration.**

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

Proxies for this meeting must be returned by **Friday, October 8, 2010** to be valid. If you have any questions or comments, please contact our office at **(907) 664-3641** or mail to the following address: **Wales Native Corporation, P.O. Box 529, Wales, Alaska 99783-0529.**

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## Public Announcement For Nome Residents and Visitors

U. S. Air Force operations to excavate and cleanup PCB-contaminated soil at the former Anvil Mountain Radio Relay Station are complete for the 2010 field season and will resume in 2011.

For public safety, access by unauthorized individuals within the fenced area of operations is prohibited until further notice due to physical hazards and contaminants present at the project site. The USAF appreciates the community's cooperation and assistance in assuring site safety until the project is complete.

For more information, please contact:

**Steve Hunt**  
Project Manager, 611 CES/CEAR  
(907) 552-4869, [steve.hunt@elmendorf.af.mil](mailto:steve.hunt@elmendorf.af.mil)  
Toll Free: 1-800-222-4137

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## SIU ALASKA CORPORATION

### Notice of Election of Directors and Invitation to Submit Statement of Interest

The annual meeting of the shareholder of Siu Alaska Corporation (Siu), a wholly-owned subsidiary of Norton Sound Economic Development Corporation (NSEDC), will be held during the third quarter meeting of NSEDC's board of directors on November 4, 2010, for the purpose of electing two (2) persons to Siu's board of directors, each for a term of three (3) years. Both seats are in the second of Siu's three classes of directors, one seat is an at-large seat, and one seat must be filled by a person affiliated with NSEDC. The at-large seat may be filled by any person not affiliated with NSEDC. Persons affiliated with NSEDC are defined as NSEDC directors, the CEO, or NSEDC board committee members (including at-large committee members).

Any person interested in serving on Siu's board of directors in an at-large capacity, may submit to Siu at the address shown below, a resume and a statement of interest, which will be provided to NSEDC's board of directors prior to the election of the Siu directors (by the NSEDC board, acting as Siu's shareholder). To be considered, resumes and statements of interest must be **received by Siu no later than October 6, 2010.**

The statement of interest should demonstrate an understanding of the responsibilities and time commitment required to serve as a director of an active business corporation and a willingness to take on those demands. This statement must also provide personal information that should include (i) name, address, and contact information; (ii) a brief summary of education and employment background, especially as it relates to the person's qualifications for a director position; (iii) information concerning any personal or professional interests that may be relevant to this position; and (iv) if desired, a vision statement relating to the role of director for this company.

**A Statement of Interest and resume may be submitted to Siu at the following address:**

John Eckels, President  
Siu Alaska Corporation  
420 L Street, Suite 310  
Anchorage, Alaska 99501

or may be sent to Siu in care of Kathy Wheelehan by fax at (907) 274-2249 or by email to [Kathy@nsedc.com](mailto:Kathy@nsedc.com). Please direct any questions about the information in this notice to Kathy Wheelehan at **800 650-2248**.

**The deadline for submitting a resume and Statement of Interest is October 6, 2010.**

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**NORTON SOUND  
HEALTH CORPORATION**

Are you satisfied with your health care services?

Norton Sound Health Corporation

is conducting a

Customer Satisfaction Survey

Please complete the survey online at:

[www.surveymonkey.com/s/NortonSoundHealthCorp](http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/NortonSoundHealthCorp)

Or find a paper version at your local clinic

Last day to complete survey is October 1st, 2010

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## Norton Sound Economic Development Corporation

### NOTICE OF ANNUAL AT-LARGE COMMITTEE MEMBER SELECTION

NSEDC is seeking individuals interested in serving a one-year term as an at-large member on the NSEDC Finance Committee.

The Financial Advisory Committee reviews financial reports, including investment performance, to help insure the Corporation's financial stability. **Without limitation of the foregoing, the Committee will review:**

- Investment performance and asset allocation at least once each quarter,
- All loan programs by the fourth quarter, annually, and
- All loan portfolios quarterly.

**Interested individuals should submit a statement of interest with:**

- Name, address, and contact information; and
- A brief summary of their background, especially as it relates to this position.

Statements of interest may be faxed to **(907) 274-2249**, emailed to [Kathy@nsedc.com](mailto:Kathy@nsedc.com), or mailed to:

**NSEDC Board of Directors**  
420 L Street Suite 310  
Anchorage, Alaska 99501

Statements of interest must be received by **October 6, 2010**. The Board of Directors will review each Statement at the Annual Meeting of Directors on **November 5, 2010**.

Please contact Kathy Wheelehan at **1-800-650-2248** if you have any questions. Thank you for your interest.

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# Native groups, fishermen seek to stop Pebble

By Mary Pemberton

AP— A Native leader and fishing groups traveled to the nation's capital last week to try and stop development of a huge copper and gold mine in southwest Alaska. The Pebble Mine is near some of the world's most productive wild salmon streams and is being readied for permitting beginning next year.

Tom Tilden, chief of the Curyung Tribal Council, said six tribes in the Bristol Bay area are seeking Washington's help because state officials refuse to hear their concerns. With permitting to begin as early as next year, the tribes are worried, Tilden said.

Alaska never saw a mine it didn't want to permit, Tilden said.

"It seems as though we always run into a roadblock when we talk to

state officials," he said. "It seems as though every mine that has gone through the application process has been OK'd."

Tilden was accompanied on the trip by officials with conservation group Trout Unlimited and two business groups, the Bristol Bay Regional Seafood Marketing Association and the Alaska Independent Fishermen's Marketing Association.

Former Alaska Senate President Rick Halford, a strong opponent of Pebble, also was part of the delegation that spent several days in Washington visiting the Environmental Protection Agency and stopping in at Alaska, Washington and Oregon's congressional offices. Those states were chosen for their connection to the Bristol Bay salmon fishery.

Trout Unlimited's Alaska program director Tim Bristol said the state's permitting process is focused not on denying permits but moving projects forward.

"The permitting project in Alaska does not allow you to say 'no'", he said.

In a move that has the potential to stop the mine, the groups are urging the EPA to use its authority under Section 404(c) of the Clean Water Act to prohibit the discharge of dredged materials from the proposed mine.

The law allows the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to dispense permits for disposing of dredged mining materials. The law allows the EPA to veto those permits if it believes they will harm fisheries, wildlife, shellfish beds, recreational areas or municipal

water supplies.

Tom Crafford, the Alaska Department of Natural Resources' large mine coordinator, said there have been mine projects in Alaska that have not survived the permitting process.

However, once a mine receives federal, state and local permits, it's a different story. It may receive violation notices and be ordered to make changes, but the state has never gone so far as to permanently stop a mine from operating.

"We have never shut a mine down," Crafford said Friday.

John Shively, chief executive of Pebble Limited Partnership, the mining group promoting Pebble, said it's unclear whether invoking 404(c) would put a halt to Pebble because that depends on what kinds of fill and

what locations for disposal of dredge materials would be unacceptable.

The impact on Pebble wouldn't be known until the project is permitted, he said.

Shively said in nearly every other case where 404(c) was invoked the mine had already received permits. It has been used only 12 times since 1971.

Tilden said the message the group received in Washington is that it has to get more scientific data to support its request.

The tribes have looked closely at the other cases.

"We felt very confident that this should be the 13th time that it should be invoked," he said.

## Communities will elect five NSEDC board members Oct. 5

Five communities in the Bering State region will elect members of the Norton Sound Economic Development Corp. board of directors Oct. 5 concurrent with city elections. The communities are Brevig Mission, Diomed, Shaktoolik, Unalakleet and White Mountain.

On Monday NSEDC staff provided *The Nome Nugget* with names of candidates for board seats in the following communities.

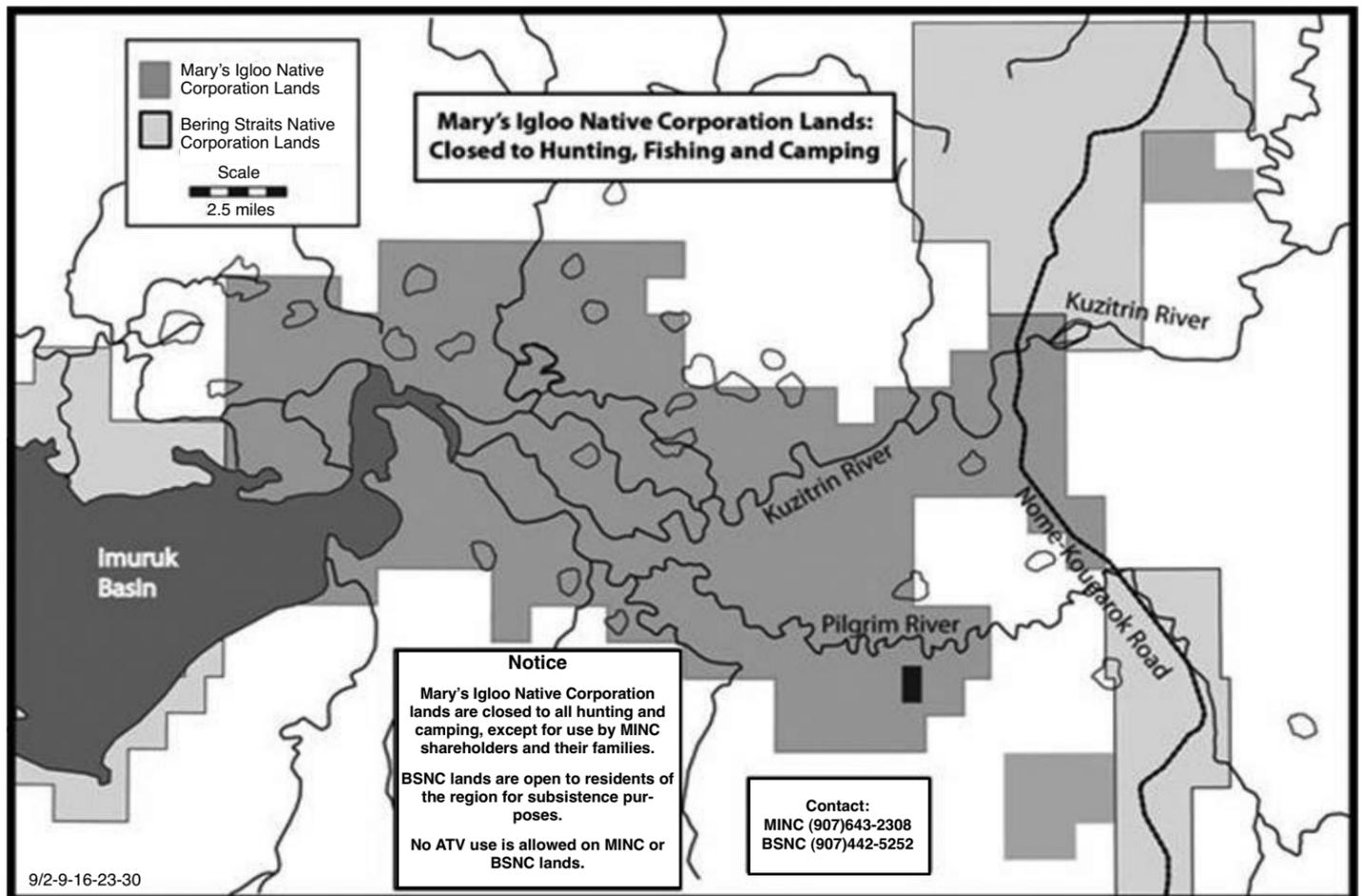
Brevig Mission: Reggie Barr, Warren S. Rock and Walter Seetot.

Little Diomed: Orville Ahkinga.

Shaktoolik: Eugene Asicksik and Harvey Soookiyak.

Unalakleet: Charles Degnan, Art Ivanoff, William Johnson and Frank Katchatag.

White Mountain: Karl Ashenfelter, Amos Brown, Sr. and Dan Harrelson.



## 2000-2005 REAL PROPERTY TAX FORECLOSURE NOTICE OF THE EXPIRATION OF THE PERIOD OF REDEMPTION

# CITY OF NOME

**TAKE NOTICE** that on or after the 2nd day of October, 2010, the City of Nome will apply to the Superior Court, Second Judicial District, State of Alaska, for a Tax Deed for all unredeemed property ordered sold by Judge Ben Esch in the Judgment and Decree of Foreclosure dated March 22, 2007, in Superior Court Case No. 2NO-06-201 CI, *In the Matter of 2000 through 2005 Delinquent Real Property Taxes Owed to the City of Nome, Alaska*. Notice will be given by four (4) weekly publications of this Notice and of the list of unredeemed properties in *The Nome Nugget* weekly newspaper on September 2, September 9, September 16, and September 23, 2010. In addition to publication, notice will be sent by certified mail to the former record owner of the unredeemed property against which a

judgment of foreclosure has been taken. Notice will also be sent by certified mail to the holders of mortgages or other liens of record for property where the assessed value of the property is more than ten thousand dollars (\$10,000).

The right of redemption shall expire thirty (30) days after the first date of publication of this Notice. Until the expiration of the period of redemption, the property listed in the Judgment and Decree of Foreclosure may be redeemed by payment in full of taxes, penalties, and interest due and owing on the parcel(s) sought to be redeemed, together with payment of the proportionate share of costs of publication and foreclosure.

This list of unredeemed property is available for public inspection at the City Clerk's Office at 102 Division Street,

Nome, Alaska. **PAYMENT IN FULL OF THE TOTAL AMOUNT SHOWN ON THE FORECLOSURE LIST PLUS ADDITIONAL INTEREST AND A PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF THE ADDITIONAL COSTS OF PUBLICATION AND FORECLOSURE MUST BE PAID TO REDEEM ANY PROPERTY. ALL PROPERTY ORDERED SOLD, UNLESS REDEEMED, SHALL BE DEEDED TO THE CITY OF NOME ON THE EXPIRATION OF THE PERIOD OF REDEMPTION, AFTER APPLICATION TO THE COURT, AND EVERY RIGHT OR INTEREST OF ANY PERSON IN THE PROPERTY WILL BE FORFEITED FOREVER TO THE CITY OF NOME.**

### NOTICE OF THE EXPIRATION OF THE PERIOD OF REDEMPTION

OWNER OF RECORD	TAX LOT	LEGAL	2000 TAX	2001 TAX	2002 TAX	2003 TAX	2004 TAX	2005 TAX	TOTAL TAX DUE*
Adsuna, John Estate .Anderson, Joy P. Adsuna, Garret L. and Cary Adsuna	001-161-01E	B 49 L 6 NT	891.60	936.18	1,015.56	1,047.80	886.60	886.60	5,664.34
Gologergen, Tim	001-281-29	B 26 L 19NT				838.50	709.50	709.50	2,257.50
Noyakuk, Jones & Martha	001-411-20	B 57 L 50 NT				348.84	441.10	441.10	1,231.04
Pelawook, Gilbert	001-161-29	B 50 L 5A NT			660.24	681.20	576.40	576.40	2,494.24
Wheeler, Emory C.	198-2-372	B 3 L 5 lcy View Subd.			671.58	692.90	586.30	586.30	2,537.08

\* PLUS PENALTY of Ten Percent (10%), Your Proportionate Share of COSTS of Foreclosure and INTEREST of Eight Percent (8%) FROM DATE UNTIL DATE PAID. I certify that I am the Acting City Clerk/Treasurer of the City of Nome, Alaska and that the foregoing foreclosure list is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

/s/ Camille Ten Eyck ,Acting City Clerk/Treasurer

/s/ Candace Weidler, Notary Public, My commission expires

THIS LIST IS AVAILABLE FOR PUBLIC INSPECTION AT THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK FOR THE CITY OF NOME, ALASKA, AT 102 DIVISION STREET, NOME, ALASKA 99762. A PETITION FOR JUDGMENT AND DECREE OF FORECLOSURE HAS BEEN FILED WITH THE SUPERIOR COURT IN NOME, ALASKA.



Photo by Nadja Roessek

**EXPLORING** – A herd of musk oxen check out the new Public Safety Building on Sunday, Sept. 27.

## • More State News

### Kensington gold mine opened

Public officials of the State of Alaska lauded the opening of the Kensington gold mine, run by Coeur D'Alene Mines, 45 miles northwest of Juneau. After numerous lawsuits dealing with a controversial method to dump mine tailings in Lower Slate Lake, the state of Alaska intervened to overturn a court decision that deemed dumping tailings in the lake illegal. However, the state took the issue to the Supreme Court which reversed the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals decision and reinstated the dumping permit. Alaska Attorney General Dan Sullivan said that the mine opening "demonstrates why the State of Alaska should not hesitate to intervene in cases that threaten our ability to develop our resources responsibly. Since last year, the Department of Law has fought in about a dozen cases involving resource development projects in Alaska that have been challenged

### UA students face 5 percent tuition hike

The University of Alaska board of regents decided a five percent increase for the tuition for lower level

courses beginning with the 2011/2012 semester. Confronted with student protests, they delayed action on a further five percent increase until November. The originally approved rate for 2011-2012 was a 5 percent increase for 100-200 level courses and a 10 percent increase for 300-400 level courses. Graduate tuition would not increase. That original board action was taken in September 2009 and will remain in effect. The Alaska university system has one of the lowest tuition rates in the United States. According to the Washington Higher Education Coordinating Board, resident undergraduate students in Alaska pay an average of \$5,133 a year for tuition and fees. That's more than just six other states, and \$2,830 less than the national average. The UA faces a budget deficit of \$2.5 million. Tuition revenue makes up roughly 11 percent of the university's overall budget, which includes a mix of state and federal funds as well. State general funds make up about 45 percent of the UA system's overall budget; but the Alaska Legislature has made clear the university must begin relying less on the state treasury.

## Court

Week ending 9/24

### Civil

Johnson, Albert J. vs. Oozevaseuk, Delia A.; Domestic Violence: Ex Parte with Children  
 Oozevaseuk, Delia A. vs. Johnson, Albert J.; Domestic Violence: Ex Parte with Children  
 Mikkelborg, Broz, Wells & Fryer, PLLC vs. Kimoktoak, Jeffrey; Structured Settlement - Superior Court

### Small Claims

Nome Public Schools vs. Clements, Jeffrey A.; SC \$2500 or Less: 1 Def. Cert Mail

### Criminal Cases

State of Alaska v. Marian Adams (8/7/84); Judgment and Order of Commitment/Probation; Theft 2—Value \$500—\$24,999; Date of offense: 1/31/08; 24 months, 21 months suspended; Any unsuspended time is to be served with defendant remanding to AMCC by 1/3/11; Credit for time already served in this case; Police Training Surcharge: Pay to the court within 10 days: \$100; Initial Jail Surcharge: Defendant arrested and taken to correctional facility or is being ordered to serve term of imprisonment; Immediately pay correctional facilities surcharge of \$100 per case to Department of Law Collections Unit, Anchorage; Suspended jail surcharge: Defendant being placed on probation; Therefore, it is ordered defendant pay additional \$100 correctional facility surcharge; This surcharge is suspended and must only be paid if defendant's probation is revoked and, in connection with the revocation, defendant is arrested and taken to a correctional facility or jail time is ordered served; Restitution: Ordered to pay restitution as follows: Restitution Recipients: Koyuk Native Store, \$21,636.17; Payments to be made directly to victim; The court will also accept payments; Restitution due immediately for civil execution purposes, unless defendant establishes payment schedule with Department of Law Collections Unit or, in municipal cases, with the court; If defendant misses any required payment, the total unpaid amount becomes immediately due and civil execution may begin; Interest will accrue on the principal amount of restitution due at the rate provided in AS 09.30.070(a), currently 3.50%, from: date of this judgment; Defendant ordered to apply for Alaska Permanent Fund Dividend every year in which defendant is a resident eligible for a dividend until the restitution is paid in full; After serving term of incarceration imposed, defendant placed on probation for 5 years under the following conditions: General and Special Conditions of Probation set, as stated in Order; Any appearance or performance bond in this case: is exonerated when defendant reports to the jail to serve the sentence.  
 State of Alaska v. Gary Lane (11/11/51); DUI; Date of offense: 6/4/10; Bind-

ing Plea Agreement; 120 days, 117 days suspended; Unsuspended 72 hours shall be served with defendant reporting to AMCC by 11/15/10; Pay to Clerk of Court: Fine: \$1,500, due date: 6/1/11; Police Training Surcharge: \$75 due in 10 days through this court within 10 days; Jail Surcharge: \$150 with \$100 suspended; Shall pay unsuspended \$50 within 10 days to: AGs Collections Unit, Anchorage; Cost of Imprisonment: \$330 (1<sup>st</sup> offense), Amount due: full amount ordered; Shall be screened for treatment or education by NSBHS, ASAP, or an approved equivalent agency by 11/1/10, complete recommended program, and show proof of completion to the court; Driver's license, privilege to obtain a license and to operate a motor vehicle are revoked for 90 days concurrent with DMV action; Any license or permit or I.D. card shall be immediately surrendered to the court; Ignition Interlock Device: Defendant required to use an ignition interlock device for a minimum of 6 months after he regains privilege or limited privilege to operate a motor vehicle, during probation; Probation until 9/17/11; Comply with all court orders listed above by the deadlines stated; Subject to warrantless arrest for violation of probation; No violations of law, including DUI, refusal to submit to breathalyzer, operating motor vehicle while license canceled, suspended or revoked or in violation of limitation, reckless driving and driving without required ignition interlock device; Shall not possess or consume alcohol; Subject to warrantless breath testing at request of any peace officer for a period of 1 year from the date of this judgment (9/17/10).

State of Alaska v. Darren B. Tom (3/12/87); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110127051; Violated conditions of probation; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 27 days, remanded into custody; Must pay suspended \$100 jail surcharge to the AGs Office, Anchorage; All other terms and conditions of probation in the original judgment remain in effect.

State of Alaska v. Michael Aukon (3/15/90); 2NO-10-352CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 110129067; Violated conditions of probation; Probation terminated; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 60 days, consecutive to the term in Case No. 2NO-10-541CR.

State of Alaska v. Michael Aukon (3/15/90); 2NO-10-541CR Count 1: Minor on License Premise; Date of offense: 9/5/10; Binding Plea Agreement; Counts (Charges) Dismissed by State: ct 2 (002); Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 120 days, 0 days suspended; Unsuspended 120 days shall be served with defendant remanded to AMCC consecutive to 2NO-10-352CR; Jail Surcharge: \$50 with \$0 suspended; Shall pay \$50 within 10 days to: AGs Collections Unit, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: Shall pay \$50 through this court within 10 days.

State of Alaska v. Roland Lockwood (4/24/90); 2UT-10-5CR Judgment and Order of Commitment/Probation; Count 001 Burglary 1—In A Dwelling; Date of offense: 12/21/09; The following charges were dismissed pursuant to CR 43(a): Count 002: Theft 2—Value \$500—\$24,999; Count 003: Criminal Mischief 3; Date of offenses: 12/21/09; 2 years, 18 months suspended; Any unsuspended time is to be served immediately, defendant remanded to AMCC; Credit for time already served in this case; Police Training Surcharge: Pay to the court within 10 days: \$100; Initial Jail Surcharge: Defendant arrested and taken to correctional facility or is being ordered to serve term of imprisonment; Immediately pay correctional facilities surcharge of \$100 per case to Department of Law Collections Unit, Anchorage; Suspended jail surcharge: Defendant being placed on probation; Therefore, it is ordered defendant pay additional \$100 correctional facility surcharge; This surcharge is suspended and must only be paid if defendant's probation is revoked and, in connection with the revocation, defendant is arrested and taken to a correctional facility or jail time is ordered served; Restitution: Ordered to pay restitution as follows: Restitution Recipients: Carolyn Heflin, \$1,021.50; Bering Straits School District, \$2,764.50; Payments to be made directly to victim; The court will also accept payments; Restitution due immediately for civil execution purposes, unless defendant establishes payment schedule with Department of Law Collections Unit or, in municipal cases, with the court; If defendant misses any required payment, the total unpaid amount becomes immediately due and civil execution may begin; Interest will accrue on the principal amount of restitution due at the rate provided in AS 09.30.070(a), currently 3.50%, from: date of this judgment; Defendant ordered to apply for Alaska Permanent Fund Dividend every year in which defendant is a resident eligible for a dividend until the restitution is paid in full; After serving term of incarceration imposed, defendant placed on probation for 4 years under the following conditions: General and Special Conditions of Probation set, as stated in Order; Any appearance or performance bond in this case: is exonerated.

State of Alaska v. Roland Rueben Lockwood (4/24/90); 2NO-10-407CR Count 1: Assault 4<sup>th</sup>; DV; Date of offense: 7/14/10; Counts (Charges) Dismissed by State: 002, 003, 004, 005; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; 6 months, 0 days suspended; Unsuspended 6 months shall be served with defendant remanded to AMCC consecutive to 2UT-10-5CR; Jail Surcharge: \$50 with \$0 suspended; Shall pay \$50 within 10 days to: AGs Collections Unit, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: Shall pay \$50 through this court within 10 days.



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## • Rock Creek

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"It's business as usual until we move on with the next step," she said.

Bailie said NovaGold could not comment on whether or not it had received any offers for the mine. She said NovaGold did not have a specific timeline for completing a sale. "There is no firm deadline. It could take a matter of months to find a buyer and close the sale," she said.

NovaGold was facing a Nov. 1 deadline from the state to make a decision on the project which has sat in limbo since November 2008. The state asked that by that deadline NovaGold either signify that it would permanently close

*"We do think that the project holds value in the right portfolio. It just doesn't fit in our portfolio anymore."*

— Rhylin Bailie,  
NovaGold

the mine, request an extension of the temporary closure period or reopen the mine.

NovaGold idled the mine just before Thanksgiving 2008 right as Rock Creek was nearing the end of its start-up process to bring the mine into production. In the two subsequent years, the company has worked to maintain the facilities on site and to comply with state and federal environmental and safety regulations.

Bailie said the decision to sell solely concerns the Rock Creek project. When NovaGold acquired Alaska Gold Co., it also gained significant land holdings and gravel



Photo by Tyler Rhodes

**FOR SALE**—The Rock Creek Mine in the Snake River Valley just north of Nome is seen in September 2009. Mine owner NovaGold Resources announced Sept. 28 that it is seeking to sell the project. The potential sale would not include other NovaGold/Alaska Gold holdings in the area, including lands and the Big Hurrah project.

operations in and around Nome. Bailie said the firm would continue to sell and deal with those holdings, including the Big Hurrah project east of Nome, separate of Rock Creek. "NovaGold has always been in business of selling off non-core assets," she said. In its second quarter report issued July 13, NovaGold reported earning \$1 million to \$3 million annually from the sale of sand, gravel and land, as well as royalties from placer gold production, largely from its land holdings around Nome.

Rock Creek represented NovaGold's attempt to transition from an exploration company to that of a producer. Many smaller mining firms specialize in finding commercial-grade metal deposits and then sell them off to larger companies to actually mine. NovaGold

nearly got Rock Creek to production.

While Rock Creek has most of its infrastructure in place, it isn't exactly a turn-key operation. NovaGold cited a number of factors leading to its 2008 shutdown, including the tumultuous financial environment and equipment that did not function as planned. Specifically, the mine's crushing unit was not able to handle the clay-rich ore that would harden in the cold and jam up the machinery. Bailie did not have an estimate on how much money it would take to bring the mine into production.

The mine also faced a number of environmental challenges relating to sediment and runoff making its way into area streams. It also has faced a buildup of water behind its tailings dam which was not designed to primarily contain liquid. Those issues have largely been ad-

ressed over the last two years through water management projects and the addition of a water treatment plant and injection wells to pump water from behind the dam underground.

Bailie said NovaGold believes that the amount of work accomplished at the mine site coupled with record-high gold prices should make Rock Creek an attractive prospect for potential buyers. "We've made an incredible amount of progress," she said. Overall, Bailie said NovaGold has spent approximately \$250 million on the Rock Creek project.

NovaGold has estimated that Rock Creek could produce 100,000 ounces of gold annually with probable reserves of 1/2 million ounces of gold. The firm budgeted \$19.1 million for the project for 2010 and noted that it had spent \$10.2 million as July 13.

## • Council

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favor of the resolution.

Andersen advocated for a resolution in support of Ballot Measure 1 to increase the number of legislative districts in Alaska by adding four house districts and two senate districts. The council unanimously approved the resolution.

### FY2010 budget amendments

The council unanimously approved ordinances to amend the city's FY2010 general fund municipal budget, capital projects fund budget, special revenue fund budget, Port of Nome fund budget

and construction capital projects fund budget following a second reading and public hearing for each budget.

Anderson raised questions about amendments to the general fund municipal budget. He noted that \$724,000 was taken out of savings to balance the budget. He also noted that an equipment replacement fund of \$530,000 had been amended to zero with the notation "Not necessary." Andersen asked whether the two figures are related. City Manager Josie Bahnke told Andersen she has no answer. She said the equipment replacement fund was not used for that purpose and the funds were carried over.

"I want to know why," Andersen said. "I will find out," Bahnke replied.

Andersen asked for the concurrence of the council in his request for a list of everyone who owes the city sales taxes and property taxes, everyone who owes utility bills, how long the taxes and utility bills have been owed and what is being done to collect them.

Andersen asked Bahnke to obtain written information on the status of the Sixth Avenue pump construction and whether the pump is hooked up to the Recreation Center. He also requested that she provide him with answers to a number of additional questions including the following:

Is it true that a city street proba-

bly will be dug up shortly after it is paved? Is the Public Works crew spending too much time on port issues? Why are five-gallon buckets of waste being dumped in the port facility's restrooms when they should be taken to the sewage treatment plant?

Andersen indicated his questions were based on recent reports and meeting minutes of various city entities.

### Executive session

A sale tax audit and Bahnke's

employment contract were discussed in executive session immediately following the regular council meeting.

Council members present in addition to Andersen, Brown (who participated by teleconference), and Pomeranz were Jon Larson and Jim West Jr. Mary Knodel was absent and excused. This was the last council meeting for Larson, who chose not to run in the Oct. 5 municipal election. Other council members thanked him for his service and wished him the best.

## • Flu

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the H1N1 virus, a second type-A influenza labeled as H3N2, and influenza B all in one shot. With the late emergence of H1N1 last year, a separate vaccine from the traditional flu shot had to be produced. Quantities of the H1N1 vaccine were limited in the region, initially requiring priority to be given to those who were most at risk of complications from the new strain of flu.

Residents of the region will have their first chance to get the flu shot for the season Oct. 7 in Nome and the villages served by Norton Sound Health Corp. The clinic will run from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. at Old St. Joe's Hall in Nome and from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. in the village clinics. A separate clinic will be held the next day, Oct. 8,

from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. at the XYZ Senior Center for elders.

A second flu shot clinic will be held in Nome in conjunction with the health fair scheduled from Nov. 12 and 13 at the Nome Recreation Center. All the clinics are free to the public.

While Kilby said she is confident the supply in the region is ample to meet demand, a benefit of having an early clinic is the ability to order more vaccine from the state if needed. Outside of the special vaccine clinics, Kilby said those interested in receiving the flu shot can either contact Public Health Nursing in Nome or their village clinic for an appointment.

Kilby said most of the vaccine supply this year is in the form of a shot. "The state has found that the nasal spray has not been accepted

by the public as it thought," she said.

Kilby said the Centers for Disease Control is recommending this year that anyone 6 months or older receive the shot, a departure from the past when the CDC targeted its recommendation at more at-risk populations. She said the expanded recommendation is partly based on an effort to limit otherwise healthy people spreading the flu to more at-risk populations. "The change is an indication that they want to protect as much of the population as possible," Kilby said. "All of us have exposure to elders or young children in one way or the other."

Kilby said Monday that she had not heard of any true influenza cases in the region yet this season, noting that the flu tends to hit here in late December or the first of the year.

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