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AFTER THE STORMS— The Nome-Council Highway took severe beatings during a succession of storms that battered the region since November 6.

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After the storms: Readiness kept village residents safe

By Sandra Medearis

State emergency response planners praised affected Western Alaska villages for cutting down damage and possible loss of life by being prepared when devastating weather brought high wind and waves earlier this month.

Five storms hit the Seward Peninsula and other coastal areas beginning Nov. 6.

Winds gusting at 65 mph and 13-

foot seawater coming into villages washed out roads, damaged dwellings, tore up water and sewer systems and interrupted communications.

In some villages, like Scammon Bay, the surging water floated many boats and left them on the airport runway and among houses when it receded.

Gov. Sean Parnell declared a state disaster Nov. 16 to unlock relief and

restoration funds.

Parnell announced the move Saturday evening after meeting with residents in the Northwest Arctic Borough, Bering Strait Regional Education Attendance Area and Lower Yukon.

He toured Kotlik, the village hardest hit by the storms where some have been left homeless.

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Courtesy of DHS&EM

KOTLIK—Storm surges and ice coming ashore from Norton Sound bashed homes, wrecked sewer and water infrastructure. Kotlik, along with Stebbins, Scammon Bay, Shishmaref and Tununak, have issued disaster declarations.

Findings promising for Seward Peninsula deep draft port

By Laurie McNicholas

Preliminary findings of a cost-benefit analysis for a proposed deep draft port on the Seward Peninsula are promising, reports Lorraine Cordova, lead economist for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Deep Draft Arctic Ports Navigation Improvements Feasibility Study.

If preliminary estimates hold up in final review, President Barack Obama may budget funds for the port project rather than rely on Congress for an addition to some other bill, Cordova told about 50 participants at a workshop on "Alaska and the New Maritime Arctic" Nov. 6 in Anchorage.

The study is jointly funded by the Corps of Engineers and the Alaska

Dept. of Transportation and Public Facilities and is evaluating three potential sites—the Port of Nome, Point Spencer at Port Clarence and Cape Riley near Teller.

Cordova said the study will determine whether one deep draft port or a combination of the sites best serve the many potential port users in the area.

The Corps of Engineers and DOT held scoping meetings in Nome, Brevig Mission and Teller in June of this year to gather information from residents who will be affected by the port project, as required by the National Environmental Policy Act.

A draft EIS report is scheduled for

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Photo courtesy Tyler Rhodes

JAMMING WITH DAD— Zoe and Jasper Keith helped their dad Kevin Keith sing "Down by the Bay" during last Friday's Open Mic Night, organized by the Nome Arts Council. The event had been postponed due to the storms that pummeled the region last week.

Windy Wednesday added to last week's storm damages

By Diana Haecker

Just as coastal communities were granted a short break from a relentless weeklong assault of Bering Sea storms, another system moved into the region with high winds on Wednesday, Nov. 13.

Throughout the day, winds began to build up stronger and stronger

from a southwesterly direction with sustained winds of 51 mph.

The highest gust was recorded at the Nome National Weather Service station with 61 mph at 3:27 p.m. that day.

NWS meteorologist Robert Munders reported that the high winds stuck around for quite some time and finally dropped off to 38 mph after midnight.

The forecasted icing of utility lines did not materialize as temperatures were at a high of 38°F and a low of 34°F.

NJUS manager John Handeland said his office received many reports of citizens reporting downed lines, but they were mostly communication lines, not live power lines. No power outages occurred during the Wednesday storm. "We braced for this one," Handeland said. "We consider ourselves lucky."

NJUS scheduled a power outage for Sunday, when the utilities worked on power lines on Front Street. The previous storm had sheared the top off a utility pole, and sent three transformers crashing to the ground.

On Sunday, NJUS tied a full-length pole to the stump and reconnected the power lines at their proper height. Handeland said that the stump will be taken out next summer when the ground is thawed and will be replaced with another pole.

According to Nome city officials, there was only minimal damage recorded as a result of the storm that battered Norton Sound on Wednesday.

Library Director Marguerite LaRiviere called building maintenance to report flapping sounds at the building. Just as building maintenance Brad Heers pulled up to assess what was going on, a piece of flash-

ing that used to hold a large sign on the west side of the building, flew off and landed in the middle of Front Street. Heers said the flying flashing did not cause any damage.

At Hanson's Safeway, part of the roof flew off.

Harbormaster Lucas Stotts reported that no port infrastructure was harmed, but a lightweight dredge flew off its trailer at the storage pad. Part of F Street had taken on water, Stotts said.

Alaska Airlines canceled their evening flight due to the storm.

The Nome-Council Highway sustained substantial damage, said Alaska DOT&PF Northwestern District Maintenance and Operations Superintendent Evan Booth.

Between Cape Nome and Solomon Booth surveyed extensive damage with more segments of the road damaged than from the previous

weekend's storm.

"Last week, I saw six to eight sites that were damaged," Booth said. "Now there are about 10 to 12 sites of damage to the roadway, the armor rock or to the sand berms."

On Saturday, the DOT sent out graders to clean debris off the road to make it easier to work on the road once spring comes around.

Booth is in the process of requesting funds for emergency repairs to the Nome Council Highway. As of deadline on Monday, Booth said the exact damage is still unknown and needs to be assessed.

On Wednesday, Booth and other DOT personnel assisted Nome Search and Rescue when they went looking for a stranded motorist on the Blodgett Nome-Teller Highway.

Troopers initiated a SAR when Brian Crockett of Brevig Mission did

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Letters

Dear Editor:

The article "Icy Frontier" in the October 2013 Military Officer magazine outlines the need for the U.S. to become more involved in the Arctic region.

The melting ice could open the Arctic Ocean to new shipping routes between the Pacific and Atlantic oceans which will cut 4,500 miles off the shipping lanes. The Arctic area contains a vast amount of oil and natural gas to be discovered and processed into energy.

Russia is restoring an old military base on the New Siberian Islands (off eastern Siberia). A garrison is

stationed there, and an airfield and naval facilities are under construction. President Putin wants to use the base to enhance Russia's economic and security interests in the Arctic. Russia is also constructing a number of new ports in the Arctic and building nine new icebreakers to supplement 10 existing icebreakers.

The U.S. Navy lacks facilities in Alaska and does not have icebreakers. It has to rely on old USCG icebreakers for support.

The U.S. should evaluate the feasibility of constructing infrastructure in the Arctic and look at the possibility of establishing joint facilities with Canada. We need to bolster our complement of icebreakers.

Donald A. Moskowitz
Londonderry, NH

baseless *ad hominem* attack.
Sincerely,
Victoria Clark
Executive Director

Trustees for Alaska
Anchorage, Alaska

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

Editorial

Wrong Turn on the Wrong Road

Governor Sean Parnell has taken too many right turns down the wrong highway. The governor can't be accused of losing focus. He has a very sharp and clear vision of where he wants to go. The only problem is that he is focused on the wrong goal. He is fixed on business; he is fixed on development. He is fixed on making it easy for the rich guys to get richer and he doesn't seem to care about their performance history or nation of origin.

Parnell is pushing "Roads to Resources" for access to a mine in the Ambler area. This will allow millions of bucks to help the same outfit that owned the Rock Creek Mine, which was an economic fiasco. Nomeites remember the phony financials of that mess. Sure, someone made a lot of money selling gravel to the State of Alaska. The Nome Joint Utilities bought a new and powerful generator it didn't need, and we now have a nice road that goes to the front door of a defunct mine—the mine was in operation only a few weeks. The State has no business financing such shady operations. Gov. Parnell has gone blind to the responsibility of governing. He needs to focus on the well being of the residents of this state. Parnell needs to avoid dumping money into the pockets of the industrial snake oil salesmen.

The Governor needs to expand his vision and set up a system that will be a safety net for low-income folks with health emergencies and communities that have experienced agricultural and subsistence harvest failures. When environmental and economic disasters take away food resources, Alaskans need to have more than just words and unfunded promises. It's easy enough to declare a disaster, but then what? We need to plan to get folks back on their financial feet. Parnell's recent refusal to sign on for the Expanded Medicaid Program denied over 40,000 Alaskans access to health care coverage. Why? It would be minimal cost to the State. He says he doesn't trust the federal government. We are part of the federal government. He has put the well being of Alaskans at stake against his silly partisan politics. Parnell needs to get off the Roads to Resources and follow the path to the people. —N.L.M.—

Dear Editor:

At the Miners Conference last week, Rick Van Nieuwenhuysse, the Chief Executive of NovaCopper, a Canadian Company that operates in Western Alaska, attacked Trustees for Alaska, calling me and my staff the "biggest hypocrites in the world." Apparently, this comment was made in response to a "luxury" car he saw parked near the Trustees for Alaska building with a vanity plate. He projected a photograph of the car during his recent power point presentation to the Alaska Miners Association when he made the gratuitous insult.

I have never met Mr. Van Nieuwenhuysse. But I have written to him to let him know that the car that so offended him is not owned by anyone working at Trustees. But more important, it is not relevant to what we do and who we represent. Trustees for Alaska is a nonprofit law firm that provides legal help on important environmental issues to communities, individuals, and organizations that cannot otherwise afford it. Had we been invited, we would have considered attending the conference and welcomed discussion of pressing resource issues and legal regulation of large mine projects.

Trustees for Alaska as an organization does try to promote responsible resource use. We do not provide staff parking to encourage staff to use alternative forms of transportation. Most of our staff regularly arrive at work on foot or bike. We won the 2013 Summer Commuter Challenge for the small business category, sponsored by Bicycle Commuters of Anchorage. And one of our attorneys won the prize for the most miles walked during the challenge (144 miles).

We are very proud of the work we do and we strive to be collegial and professional to everyone in the community. I have written to Mr. Van Nieuwenhuysse in an attempt to encourage civil discourse on important resource issues without this type of

A Look at the Past



Photo and Comments Courtesy of the Carrie M. McLain Memorial Museum
FINALLY, IT'S TIME – Time to hit the rivers and go tom-codding!

Nome Norton Sound Tide Predictions (High & Low Waters)

Date	Day	Time	High Tide	Time	High Tide	Time	Low Tide	Time	Low Tide
11/21	Th	6:21 a.m.	+1.2	8:35 p.m.	+1.3	12:39 a.m.	+0.8	1:28 p.m.	-0.0
11/22	Fr	7:09 a.m.	+1.2	9:20 p.m.	+1.2	1:28 a.m.	+0.8	2:13 p.m.	+0.1
11/23	Sa	8:02 a.m.	+1.2	10:04 p.m.	+1.2	2:21 a.m.	+0.8	2:59 p.m.	+0.1
11/24	Su	9:00 a.m.	+1.1	10:47 p.m.	+1.2	3:17 a.m.	+0.8	3:45 p.m.	+0.2
11/25	Mo	9:59 a.m.	+1.1	11:26 p.m.	+1.2	4:13 a.m.	+0.8	4:30 p.m.	+0.2
11/26	Tu	11:00 a.m.	+1.1			5:09 a.m.	+0.7	5:13 p.m.	+0.3
11/27	We	12:01 a.m.	+1.2	11:58 a.m.	+1.0	6:01 a.m.	+0.7	5:54 p.m.	+0.4

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

Weather Statistics

Sunrise	11/21/13	10:56 a.m.	High Temp	+38°	11/13/13	National Weather Service Nome, Alaska (907) 443-2321 1-800-472-0391
	11/28/13	11:18 a.m.	Low Temp	-1°	11/17/13	
Sunset	11/21/13	04:39 p.m.	Peak Wind	51mph, SW, 11/13/13		
	11/28/13	04:21 p.m.	Precip. to Date	20.08"		
			Normal	15.28"		
			Snowfall	7.7"	Normal 12.3"	

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Tschudi Shipping explores port possibility in Alaska

Tschudi Shipping Co., one of Norway's oldest shipping firms has its eyes on Alaska. A press release from Lt. Governor Mead Treadwell announced that Tschudi will begin exploring the possibility of establishing a transshipment port in western Alaska.

Tschudi Shipping Co. is owned and operated by the fourth generation of the Tschudi family and operates shipping, offshore and logistics worldwide with particular focus on east-west cargo flows between Northwest Europe, Central Asia and Russia including logistics in the Norwegian and Russian Arctic. Tschudi wants to establish a location to serve as an intermediate or transshipment site for goods and commodities shipped to and from Scandinavia and Europe via its port facilities in Kirkenes, Norway along Russia's Northern Sea Route and through the Bering Strait bound for Pacific U.S., Alaska or Far East ports.

According to Treadwell, discussions with Tschudi began several weeks ago in Iceland and continued last week during a two-day workshop organized by the University of Alaska Fairbanks and the Institute of the North in cooperation with the Norwegian Embassy in Washington and the Centre for High North Logistics to explore shipping opportunities.

The workshop was part of an ongoing study being conducted by UAF for the Alaska Department of Commerce, Community and Economic Development (DCCED) to look at the economic opportunities and impacts that could accrue to Alaska from Arctic shipping. Presenters included U.S. Army Corps of Engineers on plans for a deep-draft port at Port Clarence and Nome, experts in Arctic ice conditions, planners examining the rail and road links from Nome/Port Clarence to Fairbanks, and those with experience in shipping along Russia's Northern Sea Route.

Treadwell said the collaboration on a potential Alaska transshipment port location is a direct result of

the Dept. of Commerce effort. The Dept. of Commerce/UAF study will help Alaska present its case, as ports in Japan and Russia could serve the same purpose.

Fukushima: radioactive rod removal begins

NewEurope online reports that the operator of the crisis-hit Fukushima Daiichi nuclear power plant on Monday began removing nuclear fuel from a storage pool at the No. 4 reactor building, which was severely damaged by a hydrogen explosion following the March 11, 2011 earthquake-triggered tsunami that knocked out the plant's key cooling systems.

Workers began the year-long mission to remove the highly radioactive uranium and plutonium rods from the storage pool. It is an essential step towards decommissioning the battered complex.

The plant's operator, Tokyo Electric Power Co. embarked on the tricky mission to remove around 1,500 assemblies of nuclear fuel, 1,331 of which are considered to be highly radioactive spent fuel.

TEPCO said that over the next two days it is aiming to remove around 22 of the assemblies, with the entire process expected to take more than a year.

Researchers to find reason for sea star disease

Western Washington University professor Ben Miner received a National Science Foundation grant to find the cause of a disease afflicting the West Coast's sea stars from Alaska to Southern California.

Miner, as associate professor of Biology at Western Washington University, has received, along with his colleague Ian Hewson, a geneticist at Cornell University, a one-year research grant from the National Science Foundation to begin to explore the reasons for the region's dramatic loss of sea stars due to what is known as Sea Star Wasting Disease.

Sea Star Wasting Disease can sweep into an area and within a week or two, turn healthy colonies of dozens of sea stars into dead zones where the only thing left are mats of bacterial ooze – the remains of the

stars after the disease has run its course.

"You'll start to see lesions – white, open sores – on the sea stars. Then they'll begin losing their legs, and before too long they have been reduced to this white mat of goo," Miner said.

Miner said the disease seems to affect five or six of the 20 or so local varieties of sea star, although varieties that live in deeper water or are rare may also be affected.

Miner will be sampling both intertidal areas on foot and near-shore sites by diving. The sites are both in the Pacific Ocean and inside the Salish Sea, and he will compare the populations he finds there with historical records. Given the prevalence of the disease, if there are no sea stars in areas historically known to have robust populations, he can assume that the disease has swept through the area already. Other areas, he said, have seemed to remain untouched, with normal, healthy sea star populations. What about these areas is different from the areas that have been affected?

"It's a fascinating question, and an important one," Miner said. "Sea stars are ravenous eaters of shellfish like mussels. If there is no predation of mussels, their populations will explode, crowding out other species and dropping biodiversity. Mussels can take over an ecosystem, and sea stars are the check-and-balance that prevents that."

Moreover, what worries Miner even more about the sudden onset of this disease is that it hasn't done what sicknesses usually do: appear in one place then leapfrog its way into new areas. Sea Star Wasting Disease has arrived along virtually the entire North American West Coast almost simultaneously.

Chukchi/Bering Sea polar bears in better condition than Beaufort Sea bears

A recent study by the U.S. Geological Survey found that the condition of polar bears in the Arctic's Chukchi Sea has remained stable despite sea ice loss, while the condition of another population in the Beaufort Sea has declined.

Lead author Karyn Rode, a research wildlife biologist and co-au-

thor Eric Regehr of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service found that Polar bears (*Ursus maritimus*) have experienced substantial changes in the seasonal availability of sea ice habitat in parts of their range, including the Beaufort, Chukchi and Bering Seas.

The researchers compared the body size, condition and recruitment of polar bears captured in the Chukchi and Bering Seas between two periods 1986–1994 and 2008–2011 when declines in sea ice habitat occurred.

They compared the data with those of bears of the adjacent southern Beaufort Sea, a population where loss in sea ice habitat has been associated with declines in body condition, size, recruitment and survival.

"Comparing habitat conditions between populations, there were twice as many reduced ice days over continental shelf waters per year during 2008–2011 in the Beaufort Sea population than in the Chukchi and Bering Sea populations.

The Chukchi and Bering Sea polar

bears were larger and in better condition and appeared to have higher reproduction than Beaufort Sea bears, the researchers concluded.

Although both bear populations had similar diets, twice as many bears were fasting in spring in the Beaufort Sea population than in the Chukchi and Bering Sea population.

"Bears in the Chukchi and Bering Sea exhibited large body size, good body condition, and high indices of recruitment compared to most other populations measured to date," the researchers wrote.

Higher biological productivity and prey availability in the Chukchi and Bering Sea population relative to the Beaufort Sea and a shorter recent history of reduced sea ice habitat, may explain the maintenance of condition and recruitment of Chukchi and Bering Sea bears.

Geographic differences in the response of polar bears to climate change are relevant to range-wide forecasts for this and other ice-dependent species, they wrote.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Thursday, November 21

*Vinyasa Yoga	Nome Rec Center	5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
*Lap Swim	Pool	5:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
*Zumba Fitness	Nome Rec Center	6:45 p.m. - 7:45 p.m.
*Nome Food Bank	Bering & Seppala	5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
*Open Bowling	Nome Rec Center	6:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.
*Thrifty Shop	Methodist Church	7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Friday, November 22

*Pick-up Basketball	Nome Rec Center	5:30 a.m. - 7:00 a.m.
*Lap Swim	Pool	6:00 a.m. - 7:30 a.m.
*Kindergym	Nome Rec Center	10:00 a.m. - noon
*Turkey Dart Shoot	ANB	6:00 p.m.
*Tae Kwon Do	Nome Rec Center	6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.
*Open Bowling	Nome Rec Center	6:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.
*Chili Dinner Fundraiser	XYZ Center	6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
*Drop-in Soccer (15+)	Nome Rec Center	8:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.
*AA Meeting	Lutheran Church(rear)	8:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Saturday, November 23

*Open Bowling	Nome Rec Center	6:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.
*Teen Dance	Mini Convention	7:30 p.m. - 11:00 p.m.
*AA Meeting	Airport Pizza (upstairs)	8:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Sunday, November 24

*AA Meeting	Airport Pizza (upstairs)	8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.
*Adult Swim	Pool	1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	2:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.
*Open Swim	Pool	2:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.
*Family Swim	Pool	3:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
*Lap Swim	Pool	5:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Monday, November 25

*Pick-up Basketball	Nome Rec Center	5:30 a.m. - 7:00 a.m.
*Lap Swim	Pool	6:00 a.m. - 7:30 a.m.
*Norton Sound/Bering Strait Regional Planning	Council Chambers	9:00 a.m.
*Kindergym	Nome Rec Center	10:00 a.m. - noon
*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	5:15 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.
*Zumba Fitness	Nome Rec Center	5:15 p.m. - 6:15 p.m.
*Lifeguard Class	Pool	6:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.
*Tae Kwon Do	Nome Rec Center	6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.
*NCC Reg. Mtg.	Council Chambers	7:00 p.m.
*AA Meeting	Lutheran Church(rear)	8:00p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Tuesday, November 26

*Open Gym	Nome Rec Center	5:30 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.
*Open Gym:	Nome Rec Center	5:30 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.
*Strength Training	Nome Rec Center	4:15 p.m. - 5:15 p.m.
*Lap Swim	Pool	5:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
*Vinyasa Yoga	Nome Rec Center	5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
*Nome Food Bank	Bering & Seppala	5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
*Open Swim	Pool	6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
*Nome Parking Regulations Mtg.	Council Chambers	7:00 p.m.
*AA Meeting	Airport Pizza (upstairs)	8:00p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Wednesday, November 27

*Lap Swim	Pool	6:00 a.m. - 7:30 a.m.
*Nome Food Bank	Bering & Seppala	5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
*Zumba Fitness	Nome Rec Center	5:15 p.m. - 6:15 p.m.
*Tae Kwon Do	Nome Rec Center	6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.
*Family Swim	Pool	6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

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Governor refuses Medicaid expansion for Alaska

By Diana Haecker

Last Friday, Governor Sean Parnell held a press conference announcing his administration's refusal to expand Medicaid.

Parnell, calling the Affordable Care Act by its disparaging nickname "Obamacare," said the health care act failed and cited the "enormous current and future Medicaid costs to Alaska" as reasons for his refusal.

"Obamacare has failed to launch, is failing to deliver on its promises, and remains in disarray. Expanding one of its largest, most costly parts will undoubtedly negatively impact Alaskans," Governor Parnell said.

While several Republican legislators — Wes Keller (R-Wasilla), John Coghill (R-Fairbanks), Lora Reinbold (R-Eagle River), Mark Neumann (R-Su Valley) and Pete

Higgins (R-Fairbanks) sent out press releases applauding the governor for refusing the expansion, other entities have been outspoken to support it.

The Alaska State Chamber of Commerce, Alaska Hospital and Nursing Home Association, Alaska Federation of Natives, Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium, Anchorage NAACP, the Alaska Bush Caucus, Senator Mark Begich, gubernatorial candidate Byron Malott and 1,400 Alaska petitioners had urged Parnell to expand Medicaid.

How it would work

When the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act became law on March 2010, one provision included an expansion of Medicaid eligibility to all Americans below a specified income threshold. Medicaid is

funded by both state and federal governments. The ACA raised the federal share of the Medicaid costs to 90 percent. In the first two years of Medicaid expansion, the federal government would cover 100 percent of the cost. Over the next seven years, the state's net expenses would be \$23.4 million, with the government continuing to pay 90 percent after 2020.

According to an independent study from the Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium, Medicaid expansion would have provided health coverage to 41,500 Alaskans, created 4,000 jobs, and generated over \$2.49 billion in new economic growth for Alaska. The studies project that the infusion of \$1.1 billion in federal dollars would have a multiplier effect on the local economy.

Medicaid also pays for medically necessary travel costs, something that people enrolled in Indian Health Services don't always get reimbursed for, depending on their IHS provider. In the Norton Sound region, NSHC pays for roundtrip travels for patients from the outlying communities to travel to Nome, but Medicaid travel cost reimbursements would help save IHS dollars.

Parnell said the State remains committed to funding the safety net of health care services already available to people below 138 percent of the federal poverty level. He also announced the creation of an Alaska Medicaid Reform Advisory Group to address Medicaid's structural issues and propose meaningful reforms to the State's Medicaid program.

"Governor Parnell's announce-

ment means he is denying health insurance to as many as 40,000 Alaskans, which at the start is free to the state and eventually would cost no more than 10 cents on the dollar," said U.S. Senator Mark Begich in response. "Aside from the obvious health benefits to Alaska families, the state Chamber of Commerce urged the governor to expand the program because it is also the right thing to do for Alaska businesses and the economy."

The Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium issued a release that Alaskans are already paying for Medicaid expansion for other states through federal taxes. "But we are not getting the benefit of it. Each day the state delays a solution, families in Alaska are living without the same help other people are getting."

Democratic legislators decry Governor's decision to reject Medicaid Expansion

By Mark Gnad press secretary, House Democratic Caucus

Friday Representative Andy Josephson and Representative Geran Tarr offered the following statements in response to the governor's decision not to accept the federal government's offer to expand Medicaid coverage to all Alaskans making less than 138 percent of the federal poverty level and instead to study the issue for another year.

"The Governor has had two years to study this issue, and now he wants another year? He should have an alternative before he rejects a plan with such broad support. Rejecting Medicaid is a mistake of truly epoch proportions," said Josephson (D-Anchorage) who called on the governor to accept Medicaid during the last legislative session and again last month. "Simply put, the Governor has just taxed the majority of the Alaska people while he kicks the can down the road. His decision is bad for the health of Alaskans and for the health of our state economy."

"The Governor's decision to deny health care coverage to over 40,000 Alaskans is unconscionable," said Tarr (D-Anchorage) who serves on the House Health and Social Services Committee. "The governor's kept Alaskans in limbo long enough. Alaskans health care needs will not go away in the next year. I join organizations like the Alaska State Chamber of Commerce, NAACP, Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium, and others in supporting Medicaid expansion and will work next session to find ways to make high quality health care available to all Alaskans."

With the governor's decision, Alaska denied Medicaid coverage to around 40,000 low-income Alaskans, many of whom do not have health insurance. Studies have estimated the increased Medicaid coverage would have created 4,000 jobs and brought an estimated \$1 billion to the state. The Alaska Chamber of Commerce, Anchorage Chamber of Commerce, Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium, and the Anchorage chapter of the NAACP, and the Anchorage Faith and Action Congregations Together have all endorsed expanding Medicaid in Alaska for its health and economic benefits.

AARP Alaska reacts to Parnell's "No Medicaid expansion" announcement

AARP Alaska spoke out against the decision by Alaska Governor Sean Parnell not to expand Medicaid in Alaska.

AARP Alaska State Director Ken Osterkamp said the decision by the Governor adversely affects 41,000 uninsured adults who would have otherwise been newly eligible for Medicaid under expansion.

"We are disappointed that the Governor chose to ignore the pro-expansion arguments of organizations as diverse as the Alaska State Chamber of Commerce, the Alaska Federation of Natives and AARP, Alaska's largest membership organization representing over 90,000 Alaskans," said Osterkamp.

"Equally as disappointing is the fact Governor Parnell chose secrecy over transparency as he made his decision," concluded Osterkamp. "In doing so he is giving away the federal tax dollars already paid by Alaskans to the dozens of other states that have chosen, and continue to choose, to expand Medicaid to help those most in need."

Begich responds to Governor Parnell's decision not to expand Medicaid in Alaska

U.S. Senator Mark Begich today released a statement in response to Governor Sean Parnell's announcement that he would not expand Medicaid for Alaskans.

"Governor Parnell's announcement today means he is denying health insurance to as many as 40,000 Alaskans, which at the start is free to the state and eventually would cost no more than 10 cents on the dollar. Aside from the obvious health benefits to Alaska families, the state

Chamber of Commerce urged the governor to expand the program because it is also the right thing to do for Alaska businesses and the economy. Without the expansion, people who cannot afford insurance will continue to get their health care needs met in hospital emergency rooms across the state—the most expensive way to get health care. Those costs will continue to be passed on to all other Alaskans."

ANTHC responds to State of Alaska's rejection of Medicaid expansion

The Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium is disappointed by Governor Sean Parnell's decision today to reject Medicaid expansion and deny health care coverage to tens of thousands of uninsured Alaskans.

"We look forward to seeing what other solutions the Governor may offer," said Andy Teuber, ANTHC Chairman and President. "But in the meantime, 40,000 Alaskans are left without any kind of health care coverage. They cannot afford to buy it. For most of these people, there is no other source of assistance to get coverage. When someone is sick, they have to choose between getting health care and feeding their family."

Health care affects the lives of everyone. Alaskans are already paying for Medicaid expansion for other states through federal taxes. But we are not getting the benefit of it. Each day the state delays a solution, families in Alaska are living without the same help other people are getting.

We are committed to continuing our improvement of the Alaska Tribal Health System for Alaska Native people and the others we serve. We need to improve capacity to improve access for underserved Alaskans, in-

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Alaska cancer patients and survivors disappointed in governor's delay of access to health care for uninsured: For uninsured patients facing cancer, there is no time to lose

Statement by Emily Nenon, Alaska Government Relations Director for the American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network

"The American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network (ACS CAN) is disappointed in Governor Parnell's decision to turn down federal dollars already set aside to increase access to health coverage for hard-working, low-income families in Alaska. By turning down the funds, the Governor is denying access for 43,000 currently uninsured Alaskans to proven lifesaving preventive care and treatments for cancer and other serious diseases through Medicaid.

"Increasing access to health care through the Medicaid program would save lives and reduce health care costs in the state. Participating in the program would ensure that thousands of families across the state would be able to see a doctor regularly, and receive screening tests such as pap smears and mammograms — which would enhance the likelihood of detecting diseases, such as cancer at an earlier, more curable stage.

"ACS CAN is acutely aware of the urgent unmet needs of many Alaskans facing cancer. By establishing his Medicaid advisory council, we strongly urge Governor Parnell and the council to pay particular attention to the prevention and treatment of chronic illnesses such as cancer.

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Richard Foster Bldg. design to feature mining motif

By Sandra L. Medearis

Museum and library planners met in work session with Nome Common Council Nov. 14 to see the unveiling of a design update of the floor plan and proposed exterior theme for the new Richard Foster Building.

The facility will house the Carrie M. McLain Museum and the Kegoayah Kozga Library, as well as leased space for Kawerak, Inc.'s Beringia Center for display and storage of cultural items of the region.

Architects made modifications stemming from a previous Nome Museum and Library Commission meeting based on future occupants' suggestions, design, security and weather considerations.

Placement of walls and spaces allows supervision of areas with an economy of staffing.

A lavatory is accessible to the children's library section.

Other lavatory entries have been placed within sight of staff.

Architects have rotated the facility eastward in preliminary plans to allow the wind to sweep away snow in winter storms and to present a more dramatic and inviting entrance viewed from the planned Steadman Street extension northward.

Architects ECI/Hyer presented a rendering showing a gabled roof on a building whose exterior and silhouette fits in with the mining theme of the area. The design has three ventilation stacks coming up from the roof similar to the appearance of historic gold processing buildings near the site of the new facility at the north end of Steadman Street.

The late Richard Foster, whom the building honors, spent many happy hours mining and prospecting for gold, according to friends and family.

Architects suggested choices of a metal corrugated siding with a rusty-red roof to continue the mining theme or wooden siding of bleached cedar to yield a more neutral look.

The meeting reached an informal consensus that favored the metal look.

Some questioned whether ice would be sliding off the roof as a hazard, or would sliding ice and snow clip off the deep gutters. The architects responded with a no, they had it covered.

To the side of the entrance will be very tall letters spelling FOSTER, a feature that would honor the late District 39 legislator, Rep. Richard Foster.

That name on the building loud and clear as well as the three ventilation stacks would help identify the building for visitors, architects said. "And keep them from going into

the Rec Center," Commission President Cussy Kauer offered.

A sloped roof has an overhang to allow entry without walking under a drip line. Geotechnical characteristics of the site allow the foundation piling to be lower for a lower building, permitting a gentler more shallow set of three or four stairs to the entry.

There is a receiving entrance at the west end of the building. Architects suggested parking one of Foster's antique trucks at the west end as a display. Architects plan parking in front for 30 vehicles with a design to allow a drive-through and exit for drop-offs and tour services.

The approach as currently planned allows a visitor to see into the library with windows and a glassed-in children's library area. The library has a grand view as does the Richard Foster Room and all workrooms and offices. The Richard Foster Room as planned would measure about 20 feet by 36 feet and hold a space of about 720 sq. ft. for meetings, special library, museum and Beringia events or community use. The design includes counter space for making coffee and setting out refreshments.

Some attending the work session called for a softer entrance with the parking modified to allow more space for staging a grander approach, maybe with large boulders, or some design to applaud "this is your heritage."

Project architect Brian Meissner told the group that the firm would have the schematic design in place within about a month.

The City and Kawerak see possibilities for grant awards to supplement the \$17 million from the state to make the facility large enough to hold museum, library and Kawerak's Beringia Center.

Accommodating Beringia Center costs about \$3 million in itself.

The City has applied for a library grant from state Dept. of Commerce, Community and Economic Development and has achieved third place rank behind Wasilla and Coffman Cove, but if the program is funded, Nome is high enough in rank to be funded for the "ask" amount of \$1.9 million.

Nome will also have a request in the Rasmuson Foundation's spring cycle for \$1.3 million. Kawerak has a grant proposal in with M. J. Murdock Charitable Trust for \$400,000.

Richard Beneville challenged those in attendance with a long-held question.

"There are three entities in this building. Are the three happy where we are, space-wise?" he asked.

Silence.



Photo by Diana Haecker

HEALING HISTORIC TRAUMA— Last week, the Nome Social Justice Task Force, NSHC Behavioral Health Services and Kawerak Wellness hosted University of Alaska Anchorage professor Jim LaBelle to speak with providers and community members on the topic of "Historic Trauma". Symptoms of historic trauma within a community include high rates of substance abuse, suicidality, depression, low self-esteem and learned helplessness. On Tuesday and Wednesday, Jim LaBelle presented to staff of the NSHC BHS and various service delivery departments. On Thursday, a presentation was made to social service organizations. Friday was reserved for tribal organizations, and a general public community conversation was held on Saturday. These sessions were organized to provide insight to service delivery staff persons, giving a historic context to current social stressors. Topics discussed included a chronology of important events that have affected Alaska Native people of this area. The Saturday session ended with community members brainstorming ways to approach the resulting effects of Historic Trauma in our communities. Pictured is the Nome Social Justice Task Force (left to right) Panganga Pungowiyi, Lisa Ellanna Strickling, Jim LaBelle Sr., Darlene Trigg and Barb Amarok.

City awards vehicle fuel bid to Bonanza Fuel

By Sandra L. Medearis

Bonanza Fuel Inc. will be putting the nozzle to the City's vehicles, public works diesel equipment tanks and heating oil tanks.

BFI turned in successful quotes to provide heating oil, vehicle diesel and unleaded gasoline for City vehicles plus unleaded gasoline for Nome Public Schools' vehicles for the period Nov. 1 through Oct. 31, 2014.

The Nome Common Council

awarded the bid unanimously at a special meeting Nov. 14.

The City will be paying the following for heating oil, grade #1, \$5.49 a gallon; equipment fuel, \$5.49; vehicle fuel, \$5.404; Nome Public Schools unleaded gas, \$5.404; vehicle fuel, diesel, \$5.545.

City staff opened the bids at a session open to the public on Oct. 31.

Compared to last year's bid prices, the City—and taxpayers—will pay three cents less for heating oil; 29 cents less for equipment fuel; a dime more for unleaded gasoline; and five and a half cents more for ve-

hicle diesel fuel.

In other business at the special meeting, the Council voted itself into a secret meeting to consider a contract with Kawerak, Inc., to provide space in the new Richard Foster Building for Kawerak's Beringia Center. The motion did not cite which of the permitted reasons for an executive session allowed the meeting: financial or legal issues, the knowledge of which would damage the City or personnel issues. Representatives of ECI/Hyer Architects and Nome Museum and Library Commission also attended.



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release and public review in March 2014. Cordova said she can't provide cost estimates for port development in the study area at this time, noting that the study has several components, including an EIS, real estate consideration, preliminary engineering and an economic evaluation.

Construction of a deep draft port at Nome would require large quantities of armor rock to extend the existing causeway to a depth of 35 feet, Cordova noted. She said the outer harbor would be dredged to 22 feet and the inner harbor to 10 feet.

Port Clarence, located 70 miles north of Nome and 14 miles west of Teller is a natural deep-water bay. Cordova said a runway at Point Spencer is not maintained, and a LORAN station formerly operated

by the Coast Guard has been shut down. Cape Riley is an undeveloped area, but it could be a destination point for lightering vessels and natural resource extraction, she added. Cape Riley is situated 4 miles southwest of Teller on the shore of Port Clarence.

In a phone interview with *The Nome Nugget*, Cordova said in 2012 Shell Oil Co. based support vessels for offshore oil exploration in the Chukchi Sea at Dutch Harbor, and if the company could instead base support operations at a deep draft port at Point Spencer or the Port of Nome, it would reduce by 800 miles (1,600 miles round trip) the distance its supply vessels travel to and from the Chukchi Sea.

New maritime Arctic

Climate change and rapid melting of multi year sea ice in the Arctic in

recent years have prompted a sharp increase in Northern Sea Route traffic by international vessels bearing large cargoes, including petroleum products. Challenges and opportunities related to Northern Sea Route shipping were discussed at an "Alaska and the New Maritime Arctic" workshop hosted by the Embassy of Norway to the United States and the University of Alaska Fairbanks Nov. 6-7 in Anchorage.

The workshop brought together representatives of government, industry, academia and the World Wildlife Fund from Alaska, Norway, Canada, Iceland, Russia, Japan, South Korea and Singapore to explore topics such as international trade and shipping, marine safety, environmental protection, cultural preservation for indigenous peoples and economic development opportunities.

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NSEDC raises community benefit share, contributes to new middle dock at the Port of Nome

By Diana Haecker

The Norton Sound Economic Development Corporation held its third quarter and annual meetings in Unalakleet between Nov. 6 through 8, as storms raged through the region, battering the Norton Sound village.

The board of directors saw a new composition as Eugene Asicksick from Shaktoolik and Walter Seetot of Brevig Mission departed and were replaced by Lillian Olanna of Brevig Mission and Harvey Sookiyak of Shaktoolik. This marks Olanna's first term on the board and Sookiyak's return to serve on the board.

Monies allocated

The NSEDC board of directors decided to increase the community benefit share to \$150,000. The communities can use the funding however they please, however, they must hold a public meeting to gather input on how the monies should be spent.

The board also approved \$500,000 for the City of Nome to go toward construction of middle dock between the City and WestGold dock at the causeway. The City requested \$3 million. The total cost of the project is \$13.5 million, with \$5 million covered through General Obligation bonds.

The board approved \$159,947 in funding for a rock quarry feasibility study for the Golovin Native Corporation through NSEDC's 2013 outside entity funding program.

The board decided to participate in the state's educational tax credit program and fund eligible school programs in every NSEDC member community. NSEDC pays state fisheries landing taxes. According to NSEDC Communications Director Tyler Rhodes, the amount of the funding is yet to be determined and will be voted on during an upcoming budget meeting. The board discussed providing funding directly to the schools for eligible programs.

The board OK'd a donation of \$85,000 to the University of Alaska at Fairbanks based Alaska Center for Energy and Power, to continue their test drilling program at Pilgrim Hot Springs. NSEDC is part of a consortium called Unaatq LLC, which owns Pilgrim Hot Springs. ACEP test drilled last October at Pilgrim Hot Springs to determine if the water resource is hot and abundant enough to produce at least 2 megawatts of electrical power.

As of Sept. 30, preliminary numbers indicate that NSEDC's net assets are \$185.3 million and net liabilities are \$49.5 million. The investment portfolio has earned \$4.8 million through the same time period from January 1 through Sept. 30, 2013.

Fisheries reports

During the summer red king crab season, NSEDC's CDQ quota was harvested, but the total Guideline Harvest Limit of more than 458,000

pounds for the open access and CDQ fishery was not achieved, reports Rhodes.

In total, 32 fishermen delivered 337,400 pounds to the Norton Sound Seafood Products plant, earning them \$1.84 million.

In total, nearly 60,000 pounds of halibut were delivered to NSSP. Nineteen fishermen from Savoonga delivered 36,886 pounds of halibut, earning \$140,000; four Nome fishermen delivered nearly 23,000 pounds, earning \$87,000.

A fleet of 126 salmon fishermen delivered 1.26 million pounds of salmon, mainly 820,615 pounds of chum and 410,939 pounds of coho. The total payout was \$1.88 million.

Tender vessels update

The tender vessel *Daniel D. Takak*, is still out of commission, according to Rhodes. NSEDC bought the vessel and had it refurbished in Port Townsend, Washington. Enroute from Washington, the vessel nearly sank twice when it took on water south of Cordova and then near Homer in June of 2012.

According to the *Homer News*, the boat took on water, beached at the Homer Spit and experienced a fuel spill. "We are still working with insurance companies to assess the best option for the vessel," Rhodes said.

The board in past meetings authorized the construction of two tender vessels. The first of the vessels is the *Paul C. Johnson*, and it is built by Kvichak Marine in Seattle. Rhodes said the tender is to be in service for the 2014 summer fishing season.

NSEDC is currently looking for a builder to construct the second vessel, which is slated to be in service in the summer of 2015.

Siu Board changes

The Siu Alaska Corporation, a for-profit subsidiary of NSEDC, saw changes to its board composition. Eugene Asicksick, when NSEDC board member, held an NSEDC affiliated seat and is with his departure from the NSEDC board also leaving the Siu board. Harvey Sookiyak was voted to fill the Siu affiliated board seat. Isaiah Towarak maintained his seat on the Siu board as an at-large-member. There is one unaffiliated open seat on the Siu board, which will be advertised soon, Rhodes said. Unaffiliated seats are to be filled by public members who are not on the NSEDC board, or on any NSEDC committees or employees.

One of the Siu investments is Dutch Harbor Acquisitions. Siu, in a 50/50 partnership with Copper River Seafoods, co-owns Dutch Harbor Acquisitions, which consists of the Bering Fisheries plant in Dutch Harbor. The plant was purchased to purchase and process king crab, snow crab, bairdi snow crab, halibut, Pacific cod and Black cod. The plant had financial issues, but according to

manager John Eckels, these issues had been resolved. Eckels said in an email correspondence that the plant opened on September 1. "Being such a small operation, the plant is susceptible to many factors, not the least of which is the competition from the foreign-owned mega-plants in Dutch Harbor," Eckels wrote. "We are the only American-owned plant on the island, and the only Alaskan-owned plant in the entire area. At this point we will continue to make every attempt to succeed in this challenging and competitive atmosphere."

According to Eckels, the plant processed 795,000 pounds of crab and various finfish during the months of September and October. November and December will bring several hundred thousand more pounds of crab, and up to a million pounds of cod that will be processed all the way to fillet form, Eckels projects. "Current plans are to be

open through approximately April for further processing of crab and a significant amount of cod, closing again for the summer months," Eckels wrote.

In previous board meetings Eckels noted that he had administrative concerns. Asked about the resolution of these concerns, he responded, "We have made a few adjustments and feel we currently have a management structure in place to better address strategic production and cost management."

Personnel changes

Charlie Lean, former Norton Sound Fisheries Research and Development director retired last month from his job, but remains at NSEDC on a part time basis to develop a hatchery. Unalakleet-based fishery biologist Wesley Jones was promoted to the NSFR&D director position.

Due to the storm, a local reporter

with *The Nome Nugget* did not travel to attend the meetings in Unalakleet.

A newly instated policy of NSEDC prevents people who do not reside in one of NSEDC's member communities from attending board meetings. *The Nome Nugget* reporter-at-large Laurie McNicholas, now residing in Anchorage, has covered NSEDC for many years and through this policy is now barred from attending NSEDC board meetings. The new policy reads, "Meetings may also be open to Norton Sound residents; however, the Board reserves its right to restrict any individual's access to a meeting, regardless of his or her residency status."

A formal request from McNicholas for an exemption was not addressed at last week's board meeting. According to Rhodes, the board will take up the question at a budget meeting scheduled in the near future.



MIDDLE DOCK— NSEDC granted the City of Nome \$500,000 towards the construction of a new middle dock, to be put in between the existing City Dock and WestGold Dock to alleviate congestion at the busy Port of Nome.

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DAMAGE DONE— Dept. of Transportation construction engineer Sig Strandberg lends perspective to the damage the Nome-Council Highway sustained east of the Safety Bridge. The armor rock has been washed out and the erosion took out one third of the road.



EROSION— At mile 21.1 to mile 21.5, the ocean washed armor rock and road material off the Nome-Council Highway. The DOT is currently assessing the damage done to the road.

• Windy Wednesday

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not make to Teller on Wednesday. Crockett had left Nome on Tuesday around midnight and was not seen in Teller the next day. Teller school principal Suzette Thomas had notified the Troopers in Nome after Crockett's family inquired with her if Brian Crockett had made it to Teller. Around noon on Wednesday, Nome Search and Rescue volunteers set out on the Blodgett Nome-Teller highway to look for Crockett. They took a grader from the DOT with them, said Nome Volunteer Fire Department S&R Captain Jim West. Volunteers found Crockett uninjured and in good health near Cleveland Creek around mile 31. His vehicle had slid off the icy, glaciated highway. West said road conditions were real bad and that Crockett's truck slid 75 feet down from the road.

Booth added that it was near impossible to even walk on the road because of the ice and glaciation.

Booth reminded the public that the three highways to Teller, Council and the Kougarok are not maintained until next summer and he strongly advised against traveling to Teller by car.

Teller S&R sent two searchers out by four-wheeler, but road conditions were so icy and bad that they had to turn around. The search was made difficult by winds gusting to 60 mph and real icy road conditions.

As of Monday, the Dept. of Homeland Security and Emergency Management was assessing the damage afflicted to the 19 communities that were impacted by the storms.

"We have seven workers on the phone calling up every community to identify the damages and see if any of our programs can help," said Jeremy Zidek with the Dept. of Homeland Security and Emergency Management, on Monday.

The State Emergency Operation Center has received local disaster declarations from Kotlik, Stebbins, Scammon Bay, Tununak and Shishmaref.

Zidek said Governor Sean Parnell was criticized on social media sites for not doing anything, but said Parnell was briefed every night during the storm events and closely followed what was going on. "We wanted to address some of the concerns that the state wasn't doing enough," Zidek said. "We were doing everything that was asked of us."

Last weekend, the Governor and the Commissioner of the Department of Military and Veterans Affairs Major Gen. Thomas Katkus traveled to Unalakleet and Kotlik. They held a town hall meeting in Kotlik and flew over Stebbins.

Parnell verbally declared a state disaster for communities in the Northwest Arctic Borough, Bering

Strait and Lower Yukon regional attendance areas. The state's disaster declaration gives afflicted communities access to grant funding from the Disaster Relief Fund to repair and restore public infrastructure and some individual homes.

The Department of Environmental Conservation, Department of Health and Social Services and the Department of Transportation and Public Facilities assist in the recovery process. The Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium and the Association of Village Council Presidents dispatched help and the state emergency operations center has coordinated volunteer groups, including the American Red Cross of Alaska, Faith Christian Community Church in Anchorage and Samaritan's Purse.



DEBRIS— The Nome-Council Highway near mile 16 was littered with ocean debris, rocks and driftwood. DOT graders cleaned the road on Saturday to make it easier plowing the road once spring comes.



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• After the storms

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But self-help began at grass roots in the communities as the storm wound up for the punch. Several villages used their heavy equipment to push up barrier berms to stop rising water. Some villages evacuated to higher ground, while others got together emergency supplies.

"We talked to people north-west-south and east to let them know the storms were coming," Amanda Loach, Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management operations specialist said.

"There were no fatalities, no serious injuries, no missing persons in this disaster. It is a good experience when people reach out all together and good help is available."

State-level emergency teams kept in touch with the National Weather Service and teleconferenced with 20 communities regularly throughout the five storms, according to Mark Roberts, DHSEM state hazard mitigation officer.

Communities prepared for water and food shortages, loss of electrical power and got ready to move to higher ground.

They put together response plans and personnel.

"Good emergency management starts locally; without local emergency managers from the communi-

ties, we would really have difficulty doing our job," Jeremy Zidek, DHSEM public information officer said. "They help us to know what is going on in the community so we can meet the needs."

This week, DHSEM was in the process of evaluating where the agency needed to send teams for further assessment, Zidek said. As emergency response coordinators, his agency notifies other response organizations of needs in the communities—for shelter, the American Red Cross, for drinking water, Yukon-Kuskokwim Health Corp., for power needs, Alaska Village Electric. Typically, vaccinations for hepatitis, flu and tetanus go to communities with damaged water and sewer systems. Y-KHC provided vaccination services in some villages for recent storm victims. DHSEM had an emergency management specialist in Kotlik with a water purification unit following the storms. Half the water system is functioning in Kotlik, according to Zidek, but the community still has need for water.

"They do not have tap water service, but people are getting water," according to Zidek. "Some people are cutting and hauling ice to their homes."

As of Friday Nov. 15, five villages had pronounced disaster decla-



AIRPORT MARINA—A storm surge lifted boats from the beach and winter storage to deposit them in residential areas and onto Scammon Bay's airport runway.

Photo by Larson Hunter



SHAKTOOLIK—Surging waters from a series of storms damaged roads and delivered beach wood and debris to yards in Shaktoolik.

Courtesy of DHS&EM

rations. These are Kotlik, Stebbins Scammon Bay, Shishmaref and Tununak.

Fourteen other villages have given information that indicates they have been affected in some way—erosion or water pushing things out of place or flooding.

State Emergency Coordination Center does not have to have a disaster declaration to begin coordinating state, federal and nonprofit agency help, as well as offer disaster management, according to Amanda Loach, operations specialist. "Once the situation is stabilized, once emergency response is not needed, then damage assessment can take place," she said.

DHS&EM doesn't consider funding first when disasters strike, according to John Madden, director.

The rundown on damaged villages, with complete reports still to come:

Kotlik suffered heavy damage to the raw water system, power distribution, and the sewage vacuum systems. Sewer and water treatment facilities remained intact. Some sewer and water facilities were restored Friday. Roberts expected 80 percent repaired by Friday night. The storm damaged homes and knocked some off foundations. Ice out of the water channel did some damage.

"In Kotlik, the sea surge and the ice it brought upland did most of the damage," Zidek said.

Scammon Bay suffered damage to boat ramps, docks, roads, and personal property.

The airport sustained damage at the west end apron taxi way and wind took down a windsock.

High water floated boats onto the

airport runway. Storms and ice coming ashore ripped fuel tanks loose and damaged them.

Unalakleet had their water system damaged when the storm slammed the exposed raw water transmission pipe running close to shore from the water source to the treatment plant. Workers used a hose to temporarily repair a gap where flooding floated arctic pipe, according to Loach.

The storm eroded the coastal road and damaged an unknown number of homes. The town is removing debris and already repairing homes.

Stebbins had seven homes damaged. Two have damages so extensive that families cannot move back in.

Surging water damaged the coastal road. The Stebbins communication tower took damage.

"People are having difficulty getting in touch with us and with each other," Loach said.

Emmonak saw damage to their waterline also, but repairs have been

made, Loach said.

The storm spread its damage around. Deering, a community north of the Seward Peninsula, had a power pole damaged and other havoc, according to Debra Moto.

"It was very dangerous that day with debris flying everywhere—tin and plywood, you name it," Moto said. "It was very scary, then the power had to be out because of the pole! A guy had used his boat to pick up passengers from the airport. The two days we had were pretty crazy."

Parnell followed up Saturday's state disaster declaration with a disaster declaration for Alaska's interior, including Fairbanks North Star Borough that suffered damage when the series of storms moved east.

DHS&EM staff advised communities to consult the state's Web site—ready dot alaska dot gov—for help in preparing for emergencies when storms head in their direction.

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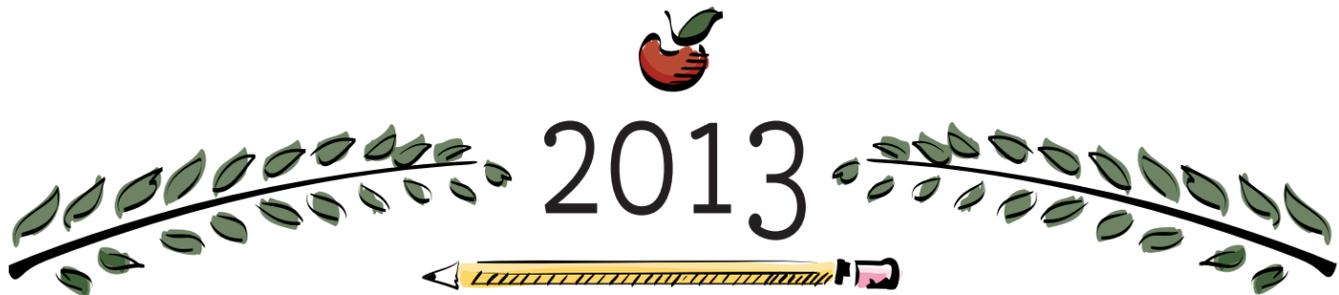
LAND GRAB— Villagers in Shishmaref have been battling the Bering Sea for years to keep their village standing at water's edge. Some buildings have already gone down in past storms. The recent series of five storms gobbled land from several Western Alaska villages and also wreaked ruin on sewer and water infrastructure.

Photo by Curtis Nayokpuk



ROADS TO RUIN—A series of five storms brought high wind and high water to Alaska's Norton Sound region villages, damaging homes, public services and infrastructure. Here, the road in Shishmaref shows loss to the surging seas.

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Nome volleyball girls set for next year and wrestlers do well at Bob Bailey tourney

By Sarah Miller

The Lady Nanooks lost their bid for the state volleyball championship title this weekend, but succeeded in establishing a reputation as one of the top teams in the sport. Nome played against Skyview High School of Soldotna in its first match on Thursday, losing all three sets to the Panthers. The Nanooks went on to play against Hutchison High School of Fairbanks in the lower bracket on Friday, again losing each set.

Coach Lucas Frost attributed the losses to unforced errors as well as strong defensive plays by the opposing teams, but also commented on the positive aspects of Nome's performance.

Dawn Wehde and Tamaira Tocktoo had perfect serve records in the entire tournament, and two players, Tocktoo and Addy Ahmasuk, were honored with Player of the Game awards.

Frost commented in an email:

"Dawn Wehde had a tremendous game as Libero, she didn't miss a serve all tournament. Tamaira Tocktoo went on an eight server run in the second set. Overall the girls proved again that we can compete at the state level. The ladies were disappointed with the loss to Hutchison because they knew that it was a match that they could have won."

Nonetheless, the Lady Nanooks have much to be proud of this season. Along with the Western Conference championship title, they

demonstrated their ability to capitalize on the individual skills each player brings to the game.

Grace Christian School took the state 3A title in a close match against two-time defending team Mt. Edgecumbe.

The Nanooks wrestling team sent seven athletes to the Bob Bailey Wrestling Tournament hosted by Bartlett High School in Anchorage. Leif Erikson won third place in the Varsity 126 class over Carlie McIntyre of Bethel. Other Nome students

competing in the tournament were Gabe Smith, James Horner, Junyor Erikson, Danner Shreve, Grady Austin, and Oliver Hoogendorn.

The Nanooks matched up against opponents from Bethel, Wasilla, Valdez, and Anchorage-area high schools.

The team will travel next weekend to Palmer, and also prepare for the Northern Conference Meet at home on December 6-7.



Photos by Ron Horner

ALL SMILES— (left to right) Addy Ahmasuk, Dawn Wehde, Tamaira Tocktoo, Coach Lucas Frost, Ari Horner, Ashley Tobuk and Sara Clark are all smiles at Chugiak High School during the State Volleyball Championships on November 14-16.



FRIENDS— (left to right) Addy Ahmasuk, Ari Horner and Dawn Wehde are some of the main players for the Lady Nanooks.



OFFENSE— Ari Horner hits the ball in one of the games during the State Volleyball Championships held at Chugiak High School on November 14-16.



HUDDLE— The Nome-Beltz Lady Nanooks prepare for a match at the State Volleyball Championships.



LADY NANOOKS— (left to right) Dawn Wehde, Ashley Tobuk, Alyssa Bushey, Kailey Witrosky, Tamaira Tocktoo, Sara Clark, Senora Ahmasuk, Rene Merchant, Ariana Horner, Allaryce Agloinga, Katee Sherman-Luce and Bailey Immigan-Carpenter make up the Nome-Beltz Lady Nanook Volleyball Team.

Sports Scoreboard

NOME WRESTLING

The Nome wrestling team attended the Bob Bailey Wrestling tournament that was hosted by Bartlett High School. Individual Nome wrestler results are listed below.

Bob Bailey Invitational Wrestling Tourn Results for Nome High School

Varsity 126 - Leif Erikson's place is 3rd and has scored 10.00 team points.
 Champ. Round 1 - Leif Erikson (Nome High School) won by major decision over Samuel Wolff (Wasilla High School) (Maj 9-1)
 Quarterfinal - Leif Erikson (Nome High School) won in sudden victory - 1 over Cody Greene (Valdez) (SV-1 3-1)
 Semifinal - Aric Kennedy (East Anchorage High School) won by decision over Leif Erikson (Nome High School) (Dec 10-8)
 Cons. Semi - Leif Erikson (Nome High School) won by decision over Samuel Wolff (Wasilla High School) (Dec 5-0)
 3rd Place Match - Leif Erikson (Nome High School) won by decision over Carlie McIntyre (Bethel High School) (Dec 7-0)

Varsity 138 - Gabe Smith's place is unknown and has scored 5.00 team points.
 Champ. Round 1 - Gabe Smith (Nome High School) received a bye (Bye)
 Quarterfinal - Trevor Cole (East Anchorage High School) won by tech fall over Gabe Smith (Nome High School) (TF 15-0)
 Cons. Round 2 - Gabe Smith (Nome High School) won by fall over Tim Sourivang (East Anchorage High School) (Fall 4:57)
 Cons. Round 3 - Darren Allen (Valdez) won by decision over Gabe Smith (Nome High School) (Dec 6-3)

Varsity 145 - James Horner's place is 2nd and has scored 15.50 team points.
 Champ. Round 1 - James Horner (Nome High School) won by decision over Chase Smith (Valdez) (Dec 7-1)
 Quarterfinal - James Horner (Nome High School) won by major decision over Hunter Myers (Bartlett Golden Bears) (Maj 16-6)
 Semifinal - James Horner (Nome High School) won by tech fall over Hayden Riebe (Eagle River High School) (TF 15-0)
 1st Place Match - Chad Mobley (Bartlett Golden Bears) won by major decision over James Horner (Nome High School) (Maj 12-2)

Varsity 160 - Junyor Erikson's place is 4th and has scored 9.00 team points.
 Quarterfinal - Junyor Erikson (Nome High School) won by fall over Jimmy Stemper (Eagle River High School) (Fall 3:10)
 Semifinal - Isaac Deaton (Valdez) won by fall over Junyor Erikson (Nome High School) (Fall 5:38)
 Cons. Semi - Junyor Erikson (Nome High School) won by decision over Kalen McIntosh (Valdez) (Dec 6-0)
 3rd Place Match - Tyler Thammavongsa (Service High School Cougars) won by decision over Junyor Erikson (Nome High School) (Dec 5-3)

Varsity 170 - Danner Shreve's place is 4th and has scored 10.00 team points.
 Champ. Round 1 - Xavier Horton (Eagle River High School) won by fall over Danner Shreve (Nome High School) (Fall 1:13)
 Cons. Round 1 - Danner Shreve (Nome High School) received a bye (Bye)
 Cons. Round 2 - Danner Shreve (Nome High School) won by fall over Colter Deville (Dimond High School) (Fall 1:58)
 Cons. Round 3 - Danner Shreve (Nome High School) won by decision over Cablin Wilson (Wasilla High School) (Dec 6-0)
 Cons. Semi - Danner Shreve (Nome High School) won by injury default over Emetrius McLeod (Service High School Cougars) (Inj. 0:00)
 3rd Place Match - Patrick Francisco (Bethel High School) won by fall over Danner Shreve (Nome High School) (Fall 2:40)

Varsity 182 - Grady Austin's place is 2nd and has scored 14.00 team points.
 Champ. Round 1 - Grady Austin (Nome High School) received a bye (Bye)
 Quarterfinal - Grady Austin (Nome High School) won by major decision over Jesse Nelson (Chugiak High School) (Maj 14-4)
 Semifinal - Grady Austin (Nome High School) won by decision over Andrew Gold (East Anchorage High School) (Dec 9-8)
 1st Place Match - Joseph White (Glenn Allen High School) won by decision over Grady Austin (Nome High School) (Dec 8-4)

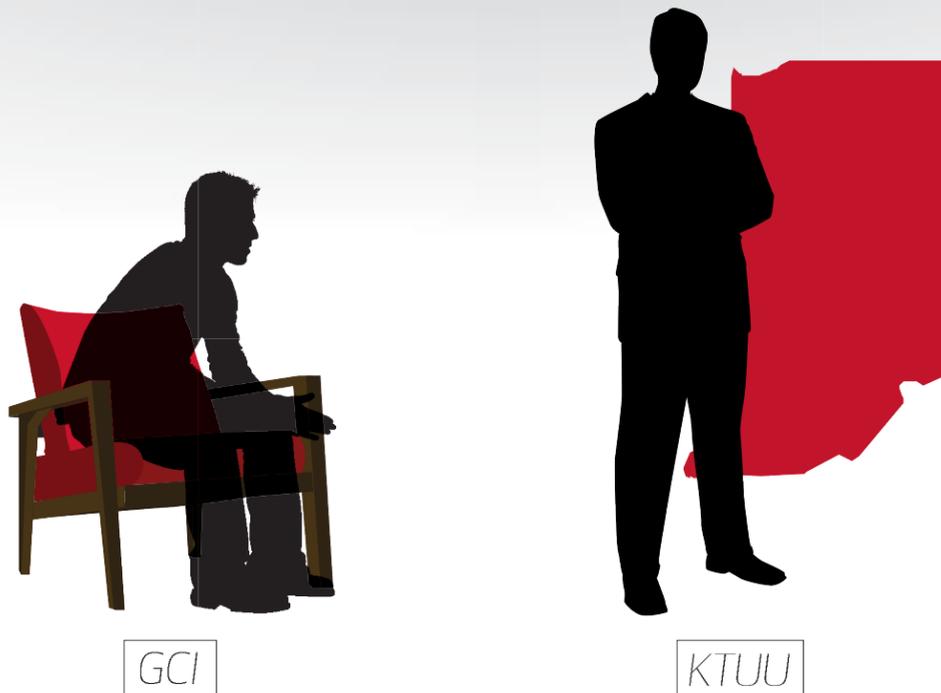
Varsity 195 - Oliver Hoogendorn's place is unknown and has scored 5.00 team points.
 Champ. Round 1 - Oliver Hoogendorn (Nome High School) received a bye (Bye)
 Quarterfinal - Nathan Gorski (Eagle River High School) won by decision over Oliver Hoogendorn (Nome High School) (Dec 5-4)
 Cons. Round 2 - Oliver Hoogendorn (Nome High School) received a bye (Bye)
 Cons. Round 3 - Oliver Hoogendorn (Nome High School) won by major decision over Toren Cheely (Chugiak High School) (Maj 11-3)
 Cons. Semi - Anthony Braudis (Bartlett Golden Bears) won by fall over Oliver Hoogendorn (Nome High School) (Fall 1:42)

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Northern Conference Wrestling Tournament - Dec. 6-7
 Galena Lady Hawks at Nome - Dec 13-14

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Nome Boys Basketball at Galena - Dec 13-14



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Nome School Board celebrates all-state choir participants

By Kristine McRae

Members of the Nome-Beltz choir kicked off November's meeting of the Nome Board of Education with an A cappella rendition of the National Anthem and Alaska's flag song at last Tuesday. NPS music teacher Ron Horner then recognized the four students, each of whom qualified for all-state choir this year. "This is our largest number since I've been here," Horner told the board. "All of the state music students compete together for these positions in the choir, band and orchestra. Over 600 students state-wide auditioned for choir." High school students Jaden Otten, Alisa Bushey, Natasha Alsop and Ariana Horner are working hard on their music in anticipation of the concert November 23 in Anchorage.

Ariana Horner was also recognized as student of the month at the high school, described by her teachers as "Caring, dedicated, goof, en-

ergetic and friendly." At the junior high, Abigail Tozier received the student of the month recognition. According to her teachers, Tozier is "spunky, studious, positive and self-motivated."

Board member Barb Nickels recognized Crystal Tobuk with the Partner in Education award for Tobuk's organization of "Read. Run. Ready." The program, which combines reading activities with the cross country running for elementary school children, wrapped up its first season in October. "Tobuk is passionate about kids and fitness," Nickels said, "and we are looking forward to year two."

In his report to the board, Nome Elementary School principal Robert Grimes told the board that, although parent-teacher conferences took place two weeks ago, some teachers are still trying to contact parents in an effort to reach 100 percent participation for the meetings.

Grimes also described with enthusiasm a visit from Neal Nichols, who visited with his "Geography Game Show." Grimes said, "He had all the students learning places in Alaska, the U.S., and then the world. It was amazing and very worthwhile."

In other elementary school news, Grimes told the board that teachers are preparing to shift curriculum focus in English Language Arts and in math instruction to align with Alaska's new state standards. A committee made up of teachers, parents, and community members is organizing to formulate curricula in math, language arts, and handwriting. When asked whether after-school tutoring had started, Grimes said that the plan is to work with Nome Eskimo Community, as in years past, but that it hadn't started yet.

Nome-Beltz principal Scott Handley announced the newly formed Wellness Committee, for which high school teacher Susanne Thomas and student Sonora Ahmasuk traveled to Anchorage to participate in training that illuminated the benefits of exercise and eating well, as well as the training of students as peer educators. The Nome Community Center sponsored the trip.

Handley told the board that November is Native Education Month. "We are doing a number of activities, culturally, to commemorate, but we hope to continue the throughout the year, not just this month," Handley said.

Handley introduced Kaley Overby, the school engagement coordinator, who has been working with after school clubs including digital photography and archery. Overby told the board she would like to cultivate the community's interest in the school, and is trying to implement activities like beading, Eskimo dancing, and drama. She recently traveled with students to the Alaska Association of School Boards (AAEA) annual conference in Anchorage to

learn about leadership. "The students will take those skills and implement them into the school," Overby said, "The goal is to have students recognize each other."

Overby is also working with the Cultural Planners group, which was started by community members to celebrate and promote Alaska Native culture while protecting traditions. Board member Barb Amarok is an advocate of the Cultural Planners group, as well as the Native Education Parent Committee. Government funding for Bilingual and Migrant programs require districts to form such committees, and after attending the second meeting, Amarok said, "I am happy to see that all three larger Native groups are now represented."

In her report to the board, student representative Dawn Wehde highlighted student life at Nome-Beltz, including news of the swim team regions in Fairbanks, the volleyball team "pink-in," which raised over a thousand dollars, the National Honor Society Dance, and the junior class Halloween Carnival, at which superintendent Steve Gast and assistant principal Doug Bushey took a pie in

the face.

In his address to the board, Gast reported that it is likely the district will be reimbursed by the state's capital improvement plan funding for big projects such as replacement of the gym floor and the switch to LED lighting, which could equal nearly \$200,000.

Gast also noted the board's participation at the AAEA conference. "Our entire board participated in Anchorage," Gast said, "The community needs to know that they took enough interest and went, and that benefits our whole community."

Board president Betsy Brennan shared some information about the sessions she attended at the conference, including one on the relationship between trauma and brain development and another on innovative strategies to teach math. Brennan indicated that Nome teachers could take advantage of some of the information. "These are cutting edge," Brennan said, "and it's exciting to think that some of our staff could participate in some of these [opportunities]."



Photo by Susanne Thomas

STUDENT OF THE MONTH— Abigail Tozier was recognized as junior high school student of the month.



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STUDENT OF THE MONTH— Ariana Horner was recognized as high school student of the month.



Photo by Rochelle Bushey

ICE CREAM TREAT— Mike McNally and Salu Bodine scooped out icecream during the Attendance Challenge celebration at the Elementary School. The winners were the fourth grade students with a quarterly attendance of 96.2 percent. Class teachers are Ms. Mehl, Ms. T. Johnson, and Mr. McRae. Pictured are (left to right) Mercedes Ellison, Tiana Brown, teacher Monica Gomez and Kierra Scott. McNally and Bodine work for the Nome Alaska Commercial Company store, sponsor of the Attendance Challenge.



Photo by Rochelle Bushey

HAPPY STUDENTS— (left to right) Lupe Callahan, Gracie Okleasik and Della Medlin are all smiles after gobbling up their portion of the ice cream.



Photo by Diana Haecker

PARIS, ALASKA— Paris Hebel won a prize for the right answer during the Geography Gameshow with Neal Nichols.



Photo by Diana Haecker

GEOGRAPHY— Nome Elementary School students were treated to the Geography Gameshow with Neal Nichols Jr. last Friday at NES. Nichols quizzed third grader Devon Crowe on the names of the big lakes in the American Midwest.



Photo by Rochelle Bushey

NOME STUDENTS SING THEIR WAY TO STATE- High School choir members perform for the Nome School Board in preparation for their trip to All-State choir. Left to right: Ariana Horner, Natasha Alsop, Jaden Otten, and Alisa Bushey.

BSSD Honor Roll and Perfect Attendance

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Savoonga

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Martha Butler
Keisha Gologergen*
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Benita Kogassagoon
Tayden Newhall
Chase Noongwook*
Bernice Penayah*
Kyla Seppilu*
Harry Toolie
Damien Annogiyuk
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Ethel Kiyuklook
Elias Noongwook*
Myra Seppilu*
Sharlyna Gologergen
Timothy Gologergen*
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Noah Nayokpuk
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Madison Weyiouanna
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Timary Stenek
Edward Kokeok
Katherine Mike
Charly Ningealook
Ralph Ningeulook
Sonja Ningeulook
Aaliyah Weyiouanna
Roderick Huntington
Bradley Sinnok
Hayley Weyiouanna
Sadya Weyiouanna
Norman Stenek
Elijah Ningeulook
Ezra Ningeulook
Kaden Eningowuk
Elizabeth Kokeok
Kiera Olanna
Jeweliam Custer
Trevor Eningowuk
Delbert Taft
Jaden Nayokpuk
Bella Ahgupuk
Winfred Taft
Loretta Sinnok
Walter Nayokpuk
John Komok
Gavin Nayokpuk
Makayla Nayokpuk
Mary Obruk
Kenny Eutuk
Aaron Iyatunguk
Clare Jungers
Rosie Eutuk
Angel Kuzuguk
Lydia Kuzuguk
Jared Huntington
Cheyenne Nayokpuk
Alfred Olanna
Kris Tocktoo
Lynden Weyiouanna
Sarah Ningeulook
Gabriel Stenek

Elim

Jacob Saccheus
Devin Nakarak
Duane Aukon
Jacob Brouillette
Victor Nylin
Erin Saccheus
Glen Saccheus
Kathleen Aukon
Michela Saccheus
Rhoda Kotongan
Cara Barr
Nellie Amaktoolik
Ross Saccheus Jr.
Kacy Aukon
Jolie Davison
Trina Oquilluk
Malachi Daniels
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Gambell

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Kirk Apasingok
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Ida Seetot
Kayla Kakoona
Anna Okpealuk
Michael Picnalook

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Charrae Lockwood
Wyatt Nashoanok
Debra Pete
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Martin Andrews III
Dawnelle Andrews
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Aryana Ivanoff
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Jessie Katchatag
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Jerald Arca Jr
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Wales

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Oliver Richard
Ida Sereadlook
Kayden Komonaseak
Gabrielle Anungazuk
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Creedence Ongtowasruk
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I, the Superintendent of Bering Strait School District and the Governing School Board would like to take this opportunity to spotlight the individuals who have received honor roll recognition for the first quarter. The individuals who are listed here are meeting the consistently high expectations held in their classrooms and achieving above and beyond. Achieving academic success of this caliber is a reflection of a network of multiple supports. The district would like to acknowledge and thank the supporting parents, community members, affiliated organizations, and especially the teachers and principals in each school for working extremely hard as an advocate for precision and brilliance. Keep up the outstanding work!

Respectfully,
Superintendent
Brett Agenbroad

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Advanced directives help answer important questions at the end-of-life

By Bob Lawrence, MD
Alaska Family Doctor

Ironically, some of the most important decisions you will ever make regarding your healthcare occur as you reach the end of life.

Though modern medicine has given us the ability to treat serious disease and in many ways prolong meaningful life, modern technology sometimes gets in the way of a meaningful death.

Machines can now breathe for us, keep our heart beating, and feed us long after the psyche (ancient Greek word for soul) has departed.

Most health care professionals want to honor a person's wishes regarding how he or she wants to be treated in the final days of life. But even well meaning providers and nurses cannot know what a person wishes when it comes to the many decisions regarding medication, nutrition, hydration, testing, and treatment that must be made.

Unlike typical medical encounters, where people are able to speak for themselves and make decisions regarding their own healthcare, at the end of life, people are often unable to communicate with their providers, due to illness, dementia, or lack of

consciousness.

This is why most states, including Alaska, allow patients to provide guidance ahead of time regarding how they wish to be treated if unable to speak for themselves.

An "Advance Health Care Directive," otherwise known as a "Living Will," provides the health care community with important information regarding a person's wishes at the end of life.

A living will answers five important questions:

1. How long do you wish to prolong your life? If you are unconscious with

no hope for recovery, or have a terminal illness that will end your life in a short amount of time, do you want your life prolonged by artificial means such as with a respirator or pacemaker?

2. Do you wish to be fed artificially? If you develop a terminal illness or advanced dementia and are unable to feed yourself or refuse the assistance of others to feed you, do you want to be fed artificially by a feeding tube placed in the stomach or by a permanent intravenous line?

3. Are you an organ donor?

When you die, do you wish to have your organs or tissues donated to living persons in need of transplant? Do you wish to donate your body for education or research purposes?

4. What if you are pregnant? If you become unconscious with a life-threatening illness or injury while pregnant, what are your wishes regarding your own artificial life support until the baby can survive outside the womb?

5. Who is your primary physician? At the end of life there may be many doctors, surgeons, and specialists involved in your treatment. Do you have a physician who knows you and your wishes that can serve as a contact for the many providers involved your care?

6. Who do you want to speak for you? If you are unconscious or otherwise are unable to speak for yourself, who would best be able to let doctors and other health professionals know what you would say or want done? In Alaska you may pick up to three people to serve as your agent(s) for making health care decisions.

An official Advance Health Care Directive form can be downloaded from the Alaska Department of Health and Social Services web page: <http://www.hss.state.ak.us>.

Though end-of-life care may be an uncomfortable topic, when it comes to receiving the best care at the close of life, your wishes matter. There

may come a time when you cannot speak for yourself. If this happens, one of the best gifts you can leave your family, loved ones, and health-care providers is clear direction re-

garding your wishes and who should speak for you if you lose the ability to speak for yourself.



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All Around the Sound

The Corps.

Pvt. Mike Ivon Daniels, 18, of Soldotna, recently graduated from the U.S. Marine Corps boot camp at Marine Corps Recruit Depot in San Diego on Nov. 1, 2013. Pvt. Daniels successfully completed 13 weeks of

intensive basic training at MCRD San Diego as one of 84 recruits in Training Platoon 3242. Following 10 days home on leave, he will report to Camp Pendleton for two months of Infantry Training Battalion, then

Military Occupation Specialty School. Pvt. Daniels will be stationed at a permanent duty station following training.



Pvt. Mike Ivon Daniels

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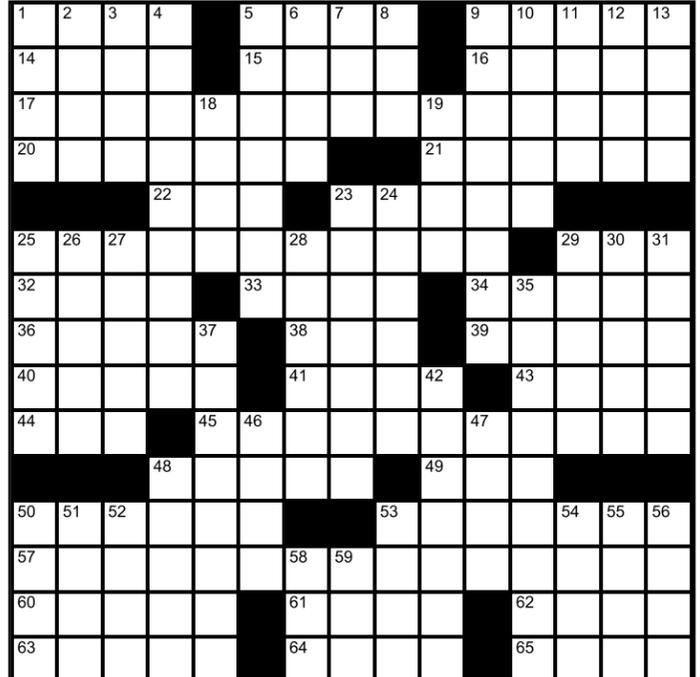
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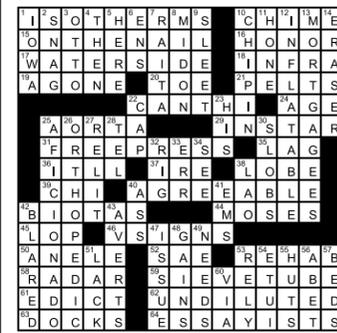
Across

- 1. Baker's dozen?
- 5. Bed board
- 9. Corolla part
- 14. Withdraw gradually
- 15. Container weight
- 16. Deposed leader, perhaps
- 17. Betrothal gifts (2 wds)
- 20. Do museum work
- 21. Short, sharp drum sound (hyphenated)
- 22. Jail, slangily
- 23. Balances
- 25. Without previous examination (2 wds)
- 29. Not yet dry
- 32. Doing nothing
- 33. Fail to see
- 34. Kidney waste product
- 36. Approaches
- 38. Brown-capped mushroom
- 39. Blends
- 40. Art able to
- 41. Experienced
- 43. Sean Connery, for one
- 44. Antiquity, in antiquity
- 45. Expressions of loathing
- 48. Wilkes-____, Pa.
- 49. Elephant's weight, maybe
- 50. Stanley Kowalksi's wife
- 53. Rat
- 57. Respect of one nation for another's laws (3 wds)
- 60. Gorillalike

Down

- 61. Old Glory
 - 62. Clothing
 - 63. Airheaded
 - 64. Sort
 - 65. Eye affliction
- Down**
- 1. The America's Cup trophy, e.g.
 - 2. Characteristic carrier
 - 3. Comedian's stock
 - 4. "Invasion of the Body ____," film
 - 5. Chest protector
 - 6. Flimsy, as an excuse
 - 7. "____ we having fun yet?"
 - 8. Big ____ Conference
 - 9. Yearly (2 wds)
 - 10. Leaves
 - 11. Hair colorer
 - 12. Aquatic plant
 - 13. "____ we forget"
 - 18. Attack
 - 19. Certain surgeon's "patient"
 - 23. Core
 - 24. Evening bell
 - 25. Because
 - 26. Archetype
 - 27. Pituitary, e.g.
 - 28. Neigh softly
 - 29. Expression that radio message will be acted upon
 - 30. ____ a high note (2 wds)
 - 31. Exams
 - 35. Plastics containing organic material
 - 37. Furtive
 - 42. Power
 - 46. Inside shot? (hyphenated)
 - 47. Barfly's binge
 - 48. Seventh heaven
 - 50. Bunch
 - 51. Pith helmet
 - 52. Give off, as light
 - 53. Become unhinged
 - 54. Boor
 - 55. May racing event, for short
 - 56. "____ quam videri" (North Carolina's motto)
 - 58. "How ____ Has the Banshee Cried" (Thomas Moore poem)
 - 59. Bug out

Previous Puzzle Answers



HOROSCOPES

November 20, 2013 — November 26, 2013

 CAPRICORN December 22–January 19	Time to count your blessings, Capricorn. You have many. A charge is reduced, and a lesson is learned. A memo makes objectives crystal clear.	 ARIES March 21–April 19	Gratitude can be hard to come by at home, but not this week, Aries. Many thanks come your way for the smallest of efforts. A wise friend slips up. Be forgiving.	 CANCER June 22–July 22	Fool you are not, Cancer, but your foolish pride is getting in the way of success. Admit your need for help, accept offers of help, and the pace will pick up.	 LIBRA September 23–October 22	Acceptance grows for an idea. It's now or never, Libra. Good friends postpone an event. Relax. The new date promises to be bigger and better.
 AQUARIUS January 20–February 18	Courage comes when you need it most. Bravo, Aquarius! A trip gets underway, and many good times are in store. A phone call boosts confidence.	 TAURUS April 20–May 20	You're not one to question the loyalty of a friend, but come on, Taurus. Are they as deserving as you think they are? Be honest. A deadline is moved up.	 LEO July 23–August 22	A scheduling conflict turns out to be a blessing in disguise. Old friends and new make a special occasion joyous. Make sure you return the favor, Leo.	 SCORPIO October 23–November 21	Run, Scorpio, run. A friend is looking for assistance, and they are zeroing in on you. You have neither the resources nor the time, so don't take the bait.
 PISCES February 19–March 20	Keep the faith, Pisces. Your loved one will come through. A financial mistake is uncovered in the nick of time. Romance picks up, and passion burns bright.	 GEMINI May 21–June 21	Convenience outweighs all. Take the easy road and clear the path for more family time, Gemini. An announcement at work takes everyone by surprise.	 VIRGO August 23–September 22	Paltry efforts on the part of a friend are no reason to complain, Virgo. Show your appreciation for what they did do, and next time, they might do more.	 SAGITTARIUS November 22–December 21	Memories are made at a feast, and the camera is put to the test. Enjoy yourself, Sagittarius. You're about to get busier than you have been in some time.

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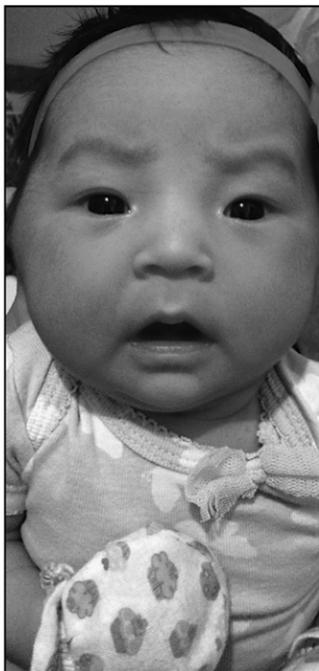


Verne Frank Thomas Iyatunguk, Jr.

New Arrivals

Daisy Mae Weinard and Verne Iyatunguk announce the birth of their son **Verne Frank Thomas Iyatunguk, Jr.** He was born Oct. 9 at 8:52 p.m. and weighed 6 lb. 9 oz. and was 10 in. long. His maternal grandparents are Beverly Moto and Brian Weinard. His paternal grandparents are Florence and Daniel Iyatunguk. His siblings are Colten, Crista and Casidy.

Lori A. Larsen and Roland G. Ivanoff of Unalakleet announce the birth of their daughter **Rhiannon Joy Ivanoff** on October 15, at 4:52 p.m. At birth she was 8 pounds and 21 inches long. Her grandparents are



Rhiannon Joy Ivanoff

Kermit Ivanoff, Sr. and the late Laura Ivanoff, the late Jessie Otton and the late Gordon Larsen. She has many family members.

Esther Olanna and Anthony Shelp of Nome announce the birth of their daughter **Aaliyah Lily Gayle Shelp**, born September 28, at 12:05 a.m. at the Alaska Native Medical Center in Anchorage. She weighed 6 pounds, 2.9 ounces, and was 18.5" in length. Her siblings are: Sonya Shelp, 4; Loretta Weyanna, 10; Ernest Weyanna, 11; Darrell Olanna, 13; uncle John Shelp; Helen Olanna and John Kakoona, grandparents are from Brevig Mission; and Don Shelp, grandpa from California; and Judith Shelp, grandma.

• American Cancer Society

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"For uninsured patients facing cancer, there is no time to lose.

"In 2013, it is estimated that more than 1.6 million people in the United States will be diagnosed with cancer and more than 580,000 people will die from the disease. In Alaska this year, an estimated 3,290 people will be diagnosed with cancer and 1,510 people will die from the disease."

ACS CAN is the nonprofit, non-partisan advocacy affiliate organization of the American Cancer Society, dedicated to eliminating cancer as a major health problem. ACS CAN works to encourage lawmakers, candidates and government officials to support laws and policies that will make cancer a top national priority. ACS CAN gives ordinary people extraordinary power to fight cancer. For more information, visit www.acscan.org.

• ANTHC

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cluding non-Natives living in rural areas who rely on the Tribal Health System.

We're skeptical that the Governor's promised solutions can be developed and implemented soon enough to avoid further suffering for uninsured Alaskans.

Saying it Sincerely

**Rev. Karen Sonray, Our Savior Lutheran Church
Member of Nome Ministerial Association**

If one member suffers, all suffer together with it; if one member is honored, all rejoice together with it. 2 Corinthians 13: 26

One of the main themes, of course, of the national holiday Thanksgiving is "giving thanks." The great Christian mystic, Meister Eckart, said, "If the only prayer you ever say in your entire life is Thank You, it will be enough."

Saying "Thank You" in prayer acknowledges gratitude for the many wonders and gifts of being alive. Carl Sagan, the great astronomer, wrote, "In the vast universe, death is the rule; life is the exception." Simply to be alive on the planet earth abounding in life is indeed a great miracle and something that evokes within us a sense of spiritual awe and gratitude. Often we enjoy and are thankful for these many gifts but on Thanksgiving we are asked also to thank the Giver! Too often we merely pause to enjoy the gifts (which in itself, yes, is an important spiritual attitude), but we neglect to say "Thank You" to God, the hand behind these gifts. Meister Eckart knew that to pray "Thank you" acknowledges a relationship with someone beyond and greater than our little self, and in so praying we open ourselves to communication and growth between Creator and creature.

Humanity is fully alive as we give thanks to God.

Thanksgiving is also about recognizing one another, being in community. As the scripture says, if one of us suffers we all suffer; if one of us is honored we all rejoice. Certainly thanksgiving is rooted in an acknowledgement of our neighbor and that we are "in this together." Sitting down and eating is a sacred thing in Hebrew thought. In fact, when one sits down with another it means it is well between them. Even though words may not have passed between long separated individuals, if one ate with them it was symbolic of reconciliation and forgiveness.

There are many stories of the first "thanksgiving" in the United States. The original inhabitants of the Americas welcomed the newcomers to their "tables" and shared both knowledge and food as they saw these pilgrims suffering their first year. That kindness did not get reciprocated between newcomer and original peoples over the years and centuries that followed. From the perspective of original peoples, our nation was built on causing others to suffer rather than suffering together. Thanksgiving holds out that hope and possibility of sitting down with people and reversing the cycle of one group triumphing over another group's misery. It is a thread in our history woven together where we suffer with one another and rejoice with one another. At that table can understanding, respect, compassion, even humor be experienced?

As you prepare to pause this Thanksgiving, take time at the table to give thanks to God. Take time to share with your neighbor at the table something you are thankful for. And, finally, remember your neighbors who have suffered with you and rejoiced with you throughout this past year.

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2013**

Week Thirteen

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 28TH

- PACKERS AT LIONS
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- STEELERS AT RAVENS

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 1ST

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- CARDINALS AT EAGLES
- TITANS AT COLTS
- BUCCANEERS AT PANTHERS
- BEARS AT VIKINGS
- JAGUARS AT BROWNS
- DOLPHINS AT JETS
- FALCONS AT BILLS
- RAMS AT 49ERS
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- BENGALS AT CHARGERS
- GIANTS AT REDSKINS

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Sunday Morning Worship: 11 a.m.

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Pastor Charles Brower

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Monday: Bible Study 6:30 to 8:00 pm
Tuesday & Thursday: Thrift Shop 7:00 to 8:30 pm
Wednesday: Faith Followers 5:45 to 7:30 pm

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101 Bering Street • 443-2565 • Pastor Harvey
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Friday: Community Soup Kitchen 6 p.m. - 7 p.m.

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Sunday: worship 7 p.m. (2nd and 4th Sunday only)
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River of Life Assembly of God
405 W. Seppala • 443-5333 • Pastor Mike Christian Jr.
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Sunday Morning Worship: 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Youth Meeting: 4:30 to 6:30 p.m.
(Ages: 6th grade thru 12th Grade)
Wednesday Bible Study: 7:00 p.m.

St. Joseph Catholic Church
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11/21

Nome Eskimo Community

Nome Eskimo Community is recruiting for two (2) positions located in Nome, AK:
• Housing Director: non-exempt, regular, full-time position. The pay range is \$26.78/hour - \$30.14/hour (DOE). The recruitment period is two weeks, closing on 10/21/13 at 5pm and may be extended to open until filled.
• Accountant: non-exempt, temporary, part-time position. The pay range is \$27.19/hour - \$31.53/hour (DOE). The recruitment period is open until filled. This position is temporary for the projected period of January 2014 - March 2014, hours are flexible.

Native preference per Public Law 93-638
A full copy of the job descriptions and an employment application can be obtained from the Nome Eskimo Community Website www.necalaska.org or from the Nome Eskimo Community Office at 200 West Fifth Avenue.

For any questions, please contact the Human Resources Manager, Emma Pate, at 907-443-9125 or by email to emmamate@gci.net

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NSEDC is recruiting for the following positions:

Fisheries Biologist (Nome): The Fisheries Biologist is responsible for planning, developing, coordinating, implementing, and evaluation of the Norton Sound Fisheries Research projects, including fisheries development (subsistence, sport, and commercial), fisheries research (salmon, crab, halibut etc.), and salmon restoration. The Fisheries Biologist supervises Norton Sound Fisheries Technicians and seasonal work crews.

Special Projects Coordinator (Anchorage, Nome or Unalakleet): Provide technical guidance to NSEDC management and will coordinate projects as assigned. The projects will often be new construction or installation projects, but can encompass a range of projects, including researching the feasibility of new programs and the effectiveness of current programs.

Northern Norton Sound Seafood Products Operations Manager (Nome): Oversee seafood operations including buying, processing, and selling seafood from the Northern Norton Sound Fisheries in both Nome and Savoonga within Norton Sound subdistricts.

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Norton Sound Health Corporation (NSHC) is committed to providing quality health services and promoting wellness within our people and environment.

Available positions:

Phlebotomist

Purpose of Position:

Identify patients and match those patients with test requests, performing sample collection and providing a pleasant patient experience and quality specimens to the laboratory; Accept specimens from other departments and villages and transmit samples and receive results from various reference laboratories.

Starting pay \$17.38 + DOE

Lead Sterile Processing Technician

Purpose of Position:

Provide an effective sterile processing system and lead the sterile processing function in furnishing sterile and non-sterile supplies/equipment and services for the care and treatment of patients.

Starting pay \$20.34 + DOE

For information please call
Human Resources at 443-4530 or email
recruiter@nshcorp.org

NSHC will apply Alaska Native/American Indian (under PL 93-638), EEO, and Veteran Preferences. To ensure consumers are protected to the degree prescribed under federal and state laws, NSHC will initiate a criminal history and background check. NSHC is a drug free workplace and performs pre-employment drug screening. Candidates failing to pass a pre-employment drug screen will not be considered for employment.

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Dear Editor,

I am 60+ years. If my home village had fluoride in our water, most likely I would have most of my teeth, which I don't.

My parents and grandparents loved me all the way to diabetes—giving me pop to which I got addicted. They didn't know any better.

Though I don't live in Nome, this fluoride issue affects us in the outlying villages of Nome.

I think I'd rather rely on the opinions of a doctor, and a dentist rather

than of an animal doctor.

We elders don't need to worry so much for ourselves. We can take care of ourselves now. But the very young, whose opinions are just forming and as yet, have no weight, well bear the burden of others' opinions—whether it will be of benefit to them or not.

I don't know of any native with flouriosis.

Quyanna,
Yvonne Sarren

Box 334
Unalakleet, AK 99684

All Along the Seawall

NOME POLICE DEPARTMENT
MEDIA RELEASES 11-11-2013 through 11-17-2013

Disclaimer: This is a record of activity. The issuance of citations or the act of arrest does not assign guilt to any identified party. During this reporting period:

- CALLS FOR SERVICE:** 139
- ARRESTS:** 10
- ALCOHOL RELATED ARRESTS:** 9
- AMBULANCE CALLS:** 11
- SEARCH AND RESCUE RELATED:** 3
- ASSAULT CASES:** 12
- INTOXICATED PERSONS:** 15
- SUICIDE RELATED CALLS:** 3
- CASE EVENTS:**

On 11-11 at 2:22 a.m. while on routine patrol Officers contacted Zita Andrews, 22, of Nome. Andrews was highly intoxicated and had neither sober friends nor relatives to care for her. She was transported to NSRH for medical clearance and then onto AMCC for a Title 47 12-hour hold.

On 11-11 at 3:56 a.m. NPD received a report of a possible assault occurring at a business on Bering Street. The complainant reported that an unknown person had struck her in the face and caused injury. A report was taken and investigation continues.

On 11-11 at 10:39 a.m. NPD responded to a local business on Front Street to a report of an intoxicated person passed out on a couch in the lobby. Kathy Fagerstrom, 59, of Golovin was contacted. Investigation determined that due to her level of intoxication she may have fallen and struck her head. Fagerstrom was transported to the hospital for medical evaluation.

On 11-12 at 3:58 a.m. while on routine patrol, NPD contacted Mary Ungott, 33, of Gambell near Fifth Ave. and K Street. Ungott was intoxicated and was subsequently given a ride to the location she was staying.

On 11-12 at 8:04 a.m. the Nome Police Department was dispatched to an apartment complex on Front Street for the report of an intoxicated person passed out in a shared space of the building. The female was contacted by Officers and identified herself as Cecelia Iyapana, 21. Iyapana admitted to consuming alcohol the previous night and that she was on conditions prohibiting the consumption of alcohol. Further investigation revealed that Cecelia was on current conditions of release and probation which both prohibited the consumption of alcohol. She was subsequently remanded to Anvil Mountain Correctional Center for Violating her Conditions of Release and Probation Violation and was held without bail.

On 11-12 at 4:49 p.m. NPD received a report of a stolen credit card. The complainant reported that unknown persons had taken his credit card and withdrawn \$100 from his bank account. Investigation is continuing.

On 11-12 at 5:59 p.m. it was reported that a red van knocked over the street signs at Warren and Division Streets. Investigation indicated the signs had been knocked over, but were not damaged.

On 11-12 at 6:35 p.m. a red and black Mongoose mountain bike was reported stolen from a residence on Spokane Street. The bicycle may have been taken anytime within the past two weeks. Anyone with information about the location of this bicycle is asked to call the Nome Police Department.

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On 11-12 at 10:24 p.m., a single vehicle motor vehicle accident was reported off Sixth Avenue. Investigation indicates a blue van driven by Kathleen Paniataaq, 27, of Nome left the road and rolled onto the driver's side. There were four persons in the vehicle, none of whom sustained serious injuries. Medics responded to the scene, however medical assistance was declined. Damage is unknown at this time.

On 11-13 at 4:49 p.m. NPD received a report that a dumpster struck a vehicle at the airport terminal causing approximately \$500 damage. The dumpster was apparently driven by high winds and icy conditions. The vehicle owner was identified and provided with the appropriate forms to file with his insurance carrier.

On 11-14 at 6:39 a.m. NPD responded to a reported assault occurring on Front Street. The complainant reported that she was pushed down onto the ground by another female who had left the scene. There were no serious injuries reported. Investigation into the incident is continuing.

On 11-14-13 at 0207 hours, NPD received a report of a domestic assault occurring at a residence on E Street in Nome. Investigation indicates that a male and female were involved in physical altercation, however the female left before NPD arrived. Investigation is continuing with charges expected to be filed for Assault in the Fourth Degree (DV).

On 11-14-13 at 1236 hours NPD received a report that Edward Kakaruk was in violation of his conditions of release. Investigations revealed that Edward Kakaruk was violating his conditions of release by having contact with a prohibited party. Edward Kakaruk was arrested and is being charged with violating his conditions of release.

On 11-14 at 3:43 p.m. NPD responded to a domestic assault. Nancy Iyapana was arrested and is being charged with Assault in the 4th Degree for punching her significant other. There was no bail set.

On 11-15 at 4 a.m. Nome Police Department Officers responded to a residence on Lomen Ave for the report of an assault. Investigation resulted in the arrest of Harry Goldsberry, 34, of Nome after it was determined that he injured another household member. Harry was also found to be on current Conditions of Probation that stipulate he is not to commit any violations of law. Harry was subsequently arrested and remanded to AMCC for Assault in the 3rd Degree, Domestic Violence as well as Probation Violation. No bail amount was set.

On 11-15 at 7:40 p.m. NPD received a theft report indicating \$800 was stolen from a residence on Seppala Drive. Investigation is continuing.

On 11-15 at 8:02 p.m. Nome Police contact and served Kevin Kavairlook, 29, a summons to appear.

On 11-15 at 8:10 p.m. Nome Police contacted and served Niviaaluk Brandt, 21, a summons to appear.

On 11-15 at 8:48 p.m. Nome Police made contact with Manuela Meyer, 50, who was served a Summons to appear.

On 11-15 at 8:58 p.m. officers contacted John Penetac, 49, who was served a summons to appear.

On 11-16 at 4:02 a.m. NPD responded to a report of a man trying to sleep in an unheated shed on Front Street. Upon arrival Michael Vaden, 21, was observed to be intoxicated, but was able to stand and walk. Mr. Vaden provided an address of a friend he could stay with, and was left in that friend's care. NPD wishes to remind the public that the NEST is now open.

On 11-16 at 2:35 p.m. NPD responded to a report of an assault. Maranda Olanna was arrested and is being charged with Assault in the 4th Degree, Domestic Violence. There was no bail posted.

On 11-16 at 4:44 p.m. NPD received a report of an assault occurring at a residence on Seppala. The suspect had left prior to arrival. No serious injuries were reported. Investigation is continuing.

On 11-16 at 8 p.m. the Nome Police Department received a report of a Domestic Violence assault wherein the victim was a 5-year-old child. A suspect has been identified and the investigation is ongoing.

On 11-16 at 8:50 p.m. Nome Police were dispatched to a "C" Street address for the report of a Trespass. Officers arrived and made contact with Shawn Boolowon, 23, intoxicated in the home. Investigation revealed Boolowon had walked into the home and was an unwelcome guest. Boolowon was arrested and remanded to AMCC for Criminal Trespass in the First Degree. Bail was set at \$500.00.

On 11-16 at 11:12 p.m., NPD responded to residence on Front Street to a report of an intoxicated person creating a disturbance. Investigation resulted in the arrest of Valerie Kakaruk, age 22 for Violating Conditions of Release. Kakaruk was taken to the hospital for medical treatment. A report will be forwarded to the District Attorney.

On 11-16 11:21 p.m. hours, NPD was called to a residence on E King Place to a report of intoxicated persons who were causing a disturbance. Investigation resulted in the arrest of Charlotte Sookiayak, age 46 of Shaktoolik for Assault in the Fourth Degree (DV). No bail was set.

On 11-16 at 11:40 p.m. Nome Police responded to a Fifth Ave residence on the report of an assault. Investigation revealed David Nattanguk, 30, assaulted a person in the home. Nattanguk was arrested for Assault in the 4th Degree D.V. There was no bail set.

On 11-17 at 5:19 a.m. NPD received a report of a domestic disturbance at a residence on Tobuk Alley. NPD made contact with the occupants of the residence which resulted in the arrest of Amanda Noyakuk, 21, for Violating Condition of Probation (not to be consuming alcohol). Noyakuk was remanded to AMCC with no bail set.

On 11-17 5:41 p.m. Mark Hottmann, 62, arrived at the Nome Police Department to report a Hit and Run on his Toyota pickup that was parked on the east side of the small boat harbor. The damage reported occurred in August and if anyone has any information regarding this incident, you are urged to call the Nome Police Department at 443-5262.

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Norton Sound Health Corporation has the following properties for sale:

- Former Norton Sound Regional Hospital/Nursing Home Facility**, located at Lot 1-12, Block 109, Nome Townsite. City of Nome Tax ID 001.211.04. The street address is 306 W. 5th Avenue, occupying the area from 5th Avenue to the south, East 6th Avenue to the north and Division Street to the east. List Price is \$500,000 O.B.O. Inquiries about the property may be made to Faren Smith, Compliance Officer, at 443-3206 or fsmith@nshcorp.org. NSHC reserves the right to reject any and all offers.



- For Public Sale through Competitive Sealed Bid** Former Rainbow Services/WIC modular buildings and property located at Lot 3B, Block 92, Nome Townsite.



- For Sale Through Competitive Sealed Bid** Vacant Land located at Lot 1A, Block 92, Nome Townsite. City of Nome Tax ID 001.221.11. Street Address is 210 Tobuk Alley.

NSHC will accept sealed bids for the offered parcel until Wednesday, December 11, 2013 at 5 pm. For further information, and sealed-bidding instructions, please contact Faren Smith, NSHC Compliance Officer at 443-3206 or fsmith@nshcorp.org. NSHC reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

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On 11-17 at 11:37 p.m. an ambulance was requested at a residence on Seppala Drive. NPD re-

sponded as the call involved a reported head wound. Indications are that a female in the residence suffered a head wound while being removed from the residence by another female. Investigation is continuing.

Trooper Beat

On November 13, Anchorage WAANT contacted and arrested Melanie R. Washington, 35, of Anchorage, as result of investigation that originated on July 26, when investigators seized approximately 7.5 ounces of marijuana destined for Emmonak.

Additionally, investigators identified a co-conspirator in this case, who was identified as Diana D. Shelikoff, 19, of St. Michael. An arrest warrant has been issued for her arrest regarding her involvement with this investigation.

Ms. Washington was transported to the Anchorage Jail, where she was held in lieu of \$2,500 c/c, plus a \$250 performance bond.

ORIGINAL PRESS RELEASE

On July 26, at about 4:00 p.m., the Anchorage WAANT Office received a report of a suspicious parcel from a local airfreight carrier that was destined for Emmonak. An investigation ensued and a search warrant was obtained for the parcel. Subsequent to the search of the parcel, approximately 7.5 ounces of marijuana were seized. Several suspects have been identified and an investigation continues. The estimated "street value" of the marijuana, if sold in Emmonak, was determined to be \$10,000.

Legals

UNALAKLEET LAND FOR SALE – Unalakleet River. SEALED BID. Owner finance available. Marilyn Oyoumick, owner. Native Allotment F-17506, 119.20 acres on the Unalakleet River, Alaska, Lot 4, U.S. Survey No. 5306. Accessible by boat and snowmachine. Opening bid \$110,000.00 cash or terms. Deferred payment plan is available. Land sold as a result of this advertisement will be conveyed in fee simple status by approved deed. Terms available are cash or deferred payment as specified.

Sealed bid opening on February 4, 2014 at 3:00 p.m. Contact Kawerak, Land Management Services, P.O. Box 948, Nome, AK 99762.

Award will be made to the highest bidder who meets or exceeds the minimum acceptable bid, subject to approval by the owner. Instructions and further info are available at the above office or by phone 1-800-443-4326, direct (907) 443-4324. Terms of sale specified thereon. 10/10-17-24-31-11/7-14-21-28-12/5-12-19-01/2-9-16-23-30

CITY OF NOME PUBLIC NOTICE DISPOSAL OF MUNICIPAL PROPERTY BY LEASE TO KAWERAK, INC.

The City of Nome is considering disposal of municipal property by Lease to Kawerak, Inc. for the purpose of providing childcare. The property is a total of 5,090.16 square feet in the Nome Child Care Center located at 606 E. "I" Street and described as Block 85, Lots 3 through 6. The disposal of said property will be by ordinance enacted by the Nome City Council duly notified by agenda and public notice. Further information may be obtained by contacting the office of the City Clerk. 11/14-21-28-12/5

CITY OF NOME PUBLIC NOTICE DISPOSAL OF MUNICIPAL PROPERTY BY LEASE TO KAWERAK, INC.

The City of Nome is considering disposal of municipal property by Lease to Kawerak, Inc. for the purpose of providing the Head Start program to Nome children. The property is a total of 3,627.20 square feet in the Nome Child Care Center located at 606 E. "I" Street and described as Block 85, Lots 1 through 4. The disposal of said property will be by ordinance enacted by the Nome City Council duly notified by agenda and public notice. Further information may be obtained by contacting the office of the City Clerk. 11/14-21-28-12/5

CITY OF NOME PUBLIC NOTICE

O-13-11-01 An Ordinance Authorizing the Disposal of Municipal Property (2,750 Square Feet in the Planned Richard Foster Building Located Adjacent to Steadman Street on Lot 2, Commerce Bench Subdivision, Plat No. 2013-04, Plus Certain Common Areas) by Lease to Kawerak, Inc.
This ordinance is scheduled for first reading at the regular meeting of the Nome City Council on **Monday, November 25, 2013 at 7:00 PM** and is scheduled for second reading, public hearing and final passage at a special meeting of the Council scheduled for **Friday, December 20, 2013 at 12:00 PM** in Council Chambers of City Hall, located at 102 Division Street. Copies of the ordinance are available in the office of the City Clerk. The interest being disposed is a leasehold interest. The current estimated value of the leasehold interest is \$3.50 per square foot. The disposal will occur by signed lease agreement within thirty (30) days after the ordinance is adopted at City Hall or another mutually convenient location in Nome. 11/21-28-12/5-12-19



NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

NORTON SOUND/BERING STRAIT REGIONAL PLANNING TEAM MEETING

Monday, November 25, 2013 (9:00 a.m.)
City Council Chambers
Nome

The ADF&G announces the Norton Sound/Bering Strait Regional Planning Team (NSBS RPT) will meet Monday, November 25, 2013, 9:00 am in Nome at the City Council Chambers. The topic of the meeting will be continuing the update of the regional comprehensive salmon plan. The meeting is open to public attendance and participation.

For additional information please call 907-465-4235 or email samuel.rabung@alaska.gov

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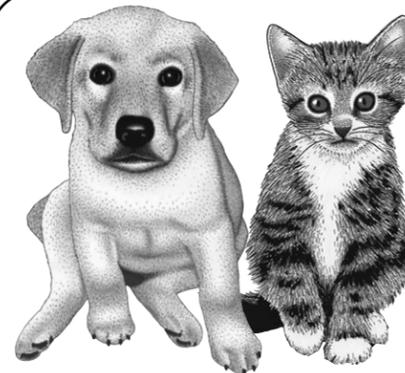


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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

City of Nome Parking Regulations

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

A recommendation to the Nome Common Council that new and revised parking regulations be adopted and incorporated into the City of Nome Zoning Code.

DATE: Tuesday, November 26, 2013
TIME: 7:00 P.M.
LOCATION: City Hall Chambers



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Koyuk, ALASKA 99753
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Store: 963-3551



NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING

The Annual Meeting of Shareholders of Koyuk Native Corporation will be held, **Saturday, January 4, 2014** at 1:00 p.m. at the Koyuk Community Hall for the following purposes:

- To elect three (3) directors whose terms will expire at the annual meeting of 2014;
- To transact such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

Claims for candidacy can be picked up at the KNC office.
Deadline for Candidacy is December 1, 2013

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Photo by Nils Hahn

EARLY MORNING ROLL-OVER—A passerby reported this roll-over accident to Nome Police on Tuesday morning at Mile 1/2 on the Beam Road. Nome police investigated but were unable to determine the kind of vehicle and its owner. Although they probably knew the vehicle make and its owner, they refused to release the information to the public. *The Nugget* is reasonably sure it is not an alien landing craft.

Court

Week ending 11/15

Civil

Booth, Devola M. v. Jamison, Christopher S.; Civil Protective Order

Small Claims

No current claims filed (start 2NO-13-00159SC)

Criminal

State of Alaska v. Lena Elachik (7/3/83); CTN 001: Disorderly Conduct; Date of Violation: 9/3/13; CTN Chrgs Dismissed by State: 2, 3, 4, 5; 10 days, 10 days suspended; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Suspended Jail Surcharge: \$100 per case with \$100 suspended; Must be paid if probation is revoked and, in connection, defendant is arrested and taken to jail or is sentenced to jail; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation for 1 year (date of judgment: 11/7/13); Shall commit no jailable offenses; Shall not possess or consume alcohol; Subject to warrantless breath testing at the request of any peace officer.

State of Alaska v. Charlene Tate (1/26/89); 2NO-13-612CR Notice of Dismissal; Charge 001: Reckless Endangerment; Filed by the DAs Office 11/7/13.

State of Alaska v. Charlene Ellanna (1/26/89); 2NO-13-635CR CTN 001: Violating Conditions of Release; Date of Violation: 8/13/13; CTN Chrgs Dismissed by State: 002; 30 days, 25 days suspended; Unsuspended 5 days shall be served with time served; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Suspended Jail Surcharge: \$100 per case with \$100 suspended; Must be paid if probation is revoked and, in connection, defendant is arrested and taken to jail or is sentenced to jail; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation for 1 year (date of judgment: 11/7/13); Shall commit no jailable offenses; Shall not possess or consume alcohol; Subject to warrantless breath testing at the request of any peace officer.

State of Alaska v. Brenda C. Slwooko (5/4/75); 2NO-13-83CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 112700781; Violated conditions of probation; Probation terminated; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: all remaining days.

State of Alaska v. Brenda Slwooko (5/4/75); 2NO-13-693CR Notice of Dismissal; Charge 001: DUI; Filed by the DAs Office 11/8/13.

State of Alaska v. William Alvanna (6/3/88); Drunk Person on Licensed Premises; Date of Violation: (no date provided); Time served; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days.

State of Alaska v. Jackson Mokiyuk (3/8/63); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 112399227; Violated conditions of probation; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 20 days; 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. Marissa Slwooko (12/8/95); Possession, Control, or Consumption of Alcohol by Person Under Age 21; Repeat Offense; Date of Offense: 5/11/13; Fine: \$1000 with \$500 suspended; Unsuspended \$500 is to be paid to the court by 1 year; Defendant's driver's license or privilege to apply for one is revoked for 3 months; \$10 surcharge; Community Work Service: Within 120 days, complete 48 hours community work service and give the clerk of court proof of complete on the form provided by the clerk; Other: Defendant is ordered provide proof to Court at Status Hearing on 3/31/14 at 1:30 p.m.; Probation for 1 year; Comply with all direct court orders listed above by the deadlines stated; Defendant must submit to evaluation by the program and pay for and successfully complete any education or treatment recommended by this program; May not consume inhalants or possess or consume controlled substances, without prescription, or alcoholic beverages, expect as provided in AS 04.16.051(b).

State of Alaska v. Derek Apasingok (4/12/85); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 113673069; Violated conditions of probation; Probation extended to (not date provided); Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: all remaining time.

State of Alaska v. Diana D. Shelikoff (8/28/94); Notice of Dismissal; Charge 001: Assault 4; Charge 002: MCA; Filed by the DAs Office 11/13/13.

State of Alaska v. Joseph Slwooko (12/6/69); CTN 001: Assault 4; DV; Date of Violation: 7/14/13; CTN Chrgs Dismissed by State: 2, 3, 4; 180 days, 160 days suspended; Unsuspended 20 days shall be served with time served; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Suspended Jail Surcharge: \$100 per case with \$100 suspended; Must be paid if probation is revoked and, in connection, defendant is arrested and taken to jail or is sentenced to jail; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Restitution: Shall pay restitution as stated in the Restitution Judgment and shall apply for an Alaska Permanent Fund Dividend, if eligible, each year until restitution is paid in full; Amount of restitution to be determined as provided in Criminal Rule 32.6(c)(2); Probation for 2 years (date of judgment: 11/13/13); Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation; Shall commit no jailable offenses; Shall not possess or consume alcohol; Shall not have alcohol in his residence; Shall not enter or remain on the premises of any bar or liquor store; Subject to warrantless breath testing at the request of any peace officer; Subject to warrantless search of residence for alcohol; Do not be present in any building where alcohol (including homebrew) is present.

State of Alaska v. Tracey Iyapana (3/29/89); Amended Judgment; CTN 002: Resisting/Interfering with Arrest; Date of Violation: 3/12/13; CTN Chrgs Dismissed by State: 001; 90 days, 90 days suspended; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case;

Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Suspended Jail Surcharge: \$100 per case with \$100 suspended; Must be paid if probation is revoked and, in connection, defendant is arrested and taken to jail or is sentenced to jail; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation for 1 year (date of judgment: 11/13/13); Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation; Shall commit no jailable offenses; Shall not possess or consume alcohol; Shall not enter or remain on the premises of any bar or liquor store; Subject to warrantless breath testing at the request of any peace officer.

State of Alaska v. Preston Bradley (10/28/91); Notice of Dismissal; Charge 001: Disorderly Conduct; Charge 002: Violation of Conditions of Release; Filed by the DAs Office 10/17/13.

State of Alaska v. John Penetac (11/16/64); 2NO-13-715CR Notice of Dismissal; Charge 001: Criminal Trespass; Charge 002: Disorderly Conduct; Filed by the DAs Office 11/13/13.

State of Alaska v. John Penetac (11/16/64); 2NO-13-865CR CTN 001: Other: Criminal Trespass 2; 5 days, 0 days suspended; Unsuspended 5 days shall be served; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days.

State of Alaska v. Melcher Oozevaseuk (3/1/74); 2NO-13-691CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 113672988; Violated conditions of probation; Probation terminated; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: all remaining days.

State of Alaska v. Melcher Oozevaseuk (3/1/74); 2NO-13-881CR Notice of Dismissal; Charge 001: Resisting Arrest; Filed by the DAs Office 11/13/13.

State of Alaska v. Robert Apok III (10/5/66); 2NO-13-307CR Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 113672376; Violated conditions of probation; Probation terminated; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: all remaining time.

State of Alaska v. Robert Apok III (10/5/66); 2NO-13-751CR Notice of Dismissal; Charge 001: Assault 4; Charge 002: Criminal Trespass; Filed by the DAs Office 11/13/13.

State of Alaska v. Bana R. Katchatag (11/21/84); Judgment and Order of Commitment/Probation; CTN 001: AS11.46.120: Theft 1- Value \$25,000+; Class B Felony; Date of Offense: 4/1/12; The following charges was dismissed: CTN 002: AS11.46.285(b)(1): Fraud Use Access Device- Value \$25,000+; Date of Offense: 4/1/12; CTN 001: 3 years, 2 years suspended; Unsuspended 1 year shall be served immediately; Total unsuspended term of incarceration: 1 year; Police Training Surcharge: CTN 001: \$100 (felony); Initial Jail Surcharge: Defendant arrested and taken to a correctional facility or is being ordered to serve a term of imprisonment; Therefore, IT IS ORDERED that defendant immediately pay a correctional facilities surcharge of \$100 per case to the Department of Law Collections Unit, Anchorage; Suspended Jail Surcharge: Defendant is being placed on probation; Therefore, IT IS ORDERED that the defendant pay an 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; DNA IDENTIFICATION: If this conviction is for a "crime against a person" as defined in AS 44.41.035, or a felony under AS 11 or AS 28.35, the defendant is ordered to provide samples for the DNA Registration System when requested by a correctional, probation, parole, or peace officer; Restitution: Defendant is ordered to pay restitution as stated in the Restitution Judgment (form CR-465) and to apply for an Alaska Permanent Fund Dividend, if eligible, each year until restitution is paid in full; The amount of restitution will be determined as provided in Criminal Rule 32.6(c)(2); IT IS ORDERED that, after serving any term of incarceration imposed, the defendant is 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.

State of Alaska v. Jeffrey L. Ellanna (9/30/93); Possession, Control, or Consumption of Alcohol by Person Under Age 21; Repeat Offense; Date of Offense: 4/14/13; Fine: \$1000 with \$500 suspended; Unsuspended \$500 is to be paid to the court within 1 year; Defendant's driver's license or privilege to apply for one is revoked for 3 months; Community Work Service: Within 120 days, complete 48 hours community work service and give the clerk of court proof of complete on the form provided by the clerk; Other: Defendant is ordered to appear 3/27/14 at 1:30 p.m. to prove community work service has been completed; Probation for 1 year; Comply with all direct court orders listed above by the deadlines stated; Defendant must submit to evaluation by the program and pay for and successfully complete any education or treatment recommended by this program; May not consume inhalants or possess or consume controlled substances, without prescription, or alcoholic beverages, expect as provided in AS 04.16.051(b).

State of Alaska v. Jeanette Evan (9/2/83); 2NO-13-194CR Assault 4; DV; Date of Violation: 3/13/13; 150 days, 150 days suspended; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Suspended Jail Surcharge: \$100 per case with \$100 suspended; Must be paid if probation is revoked and, in connection, defendant is arrested and taken to jail or is sentenced to jail; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation for 2 years (date of judgment: 11/12/13); Shall commit no jailable offenses; Shall not possess or consume alcohol; Shall not have alcohol in her residence; Shall not enter or remain on the premises of any bar or liquor store; Subject to

warrantless breath testing at the request of any peace officer; Subject to warrantless search of residence for alcohol.

State of Alaska v. Jeanette Evan (9/2/83); 2NO-13-610CR Notice of Dismissal; Charge 001: Violation of Conditions of Release; Filed by the DAs Office 11/13/13.

State of Alaska v. Merlin Anahonak (12/26/60); Sell Alcohol w/o License; Date of Violation: 2/15/13; 90 days, 80 days suspended; Unsuspended 10 days shall be served with defendant reporting to Homer Jail by 5pm, 11/13/13; Homer Jail to notify Nome Court at 443-5216 if defendant does not appear; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Suspended Jail Surcharge: \$100 per case with \$100 suspended; Must be paid if probation is revoked and, in connection, defendant is arrested and taken to jail or is sentenced to jail; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation for 3 years (date of judgment: 11/13/13); Shall not possess or consume alcohol; Subject to warrantless breath testing at the request of any peace officer; Defendant's person and baggage are subject to warrantless search at any airport en route to local option community (for alcohol); Subject to warrantless arrest for any violation of these conditions of probation; Alcohol/substance abuse assessment by 12/13/13; Participate in and complete recommended treatment and aftercare; Up to 30 days in patient treatment if recommended; Appear for Status Hearing on 3/26/14 at 1:30 p.m. to prove compliance.

State of Alaska v. Fabian Michael Pete (10/29/93); Order of Dismissal; CTN 001: Burglary 1- In A Dwelling; Offense Date: 10/30/13; IT IS ORDERED that count 1 dismissed pursuant to: Rule 5 – Dismissal on motion of defendant due to decision by Prosecuting Attorney not to proceed with preliminary hearing; The State reduced count II to Assault 4, AS 11.41.230(a)(1), on the record; Pretrial conference is set for 12/4/13 at 9 AM.

State of Alaska v. Swenson Tocktoo (2/2/92); 2NO-13-655CR Count 002: Assault 4; Date of Violation: 8/18/13; Any appearance or performance bond is exonerated; CTN Chrgs Dismissed: 001; 90 days, 85 days suspended; Unsuspended 5 days shall be served with defendant reporting to Nome Court on 11/29/13 at 1:30 p.m. for a remand hearing; Initial Jail Surcharge: \$50 per case; Due now to AGs Office, Anchorage; Suspended Jail Surcharge: \$100 per case with \$100 suspended; Must be paid if probation is revoked and, in connection, defendant is arrested and taken to jail or is sentenced to jail; Police Training Surcharge: \$50 shall be paid through this court within 10 days; Probation for 1 year (date of judgment: not provided); Shall commit no jailable offenses; Shall not possess or consume alcohol; Subject to warrantless breath testing at the request of any peace officer.

State of Alaska v. Swenson Tocktoo (2/2/92); 2NO-13-839CR Notice of Dismissal; Charge 001 and 002: Assault 4; Filed by the DAs Office 11/8/13.

State of Alaska v. Daniel Ahmasuk (3/25/83); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 112696362; Violated conditions of probation; Probation extended by one year.

State of Alaska v. Kyle Mike (12/20/83); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 113289282; Violated conditions of probation; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 5 days; Must pay suspended \$100 jail surcharge to the AGs Office, Anchorage.

State of Alaska v. Bertha Iya (7/25/75); Notice of Dismissal; Charge 001: Criminal Mischief 5; Charge 002 and 003: Disorderly Conduct; Filed by the DAs Office 11/6/13.

State of Alaska v. Kristen D. Kulowiya (11/2/83); Judgment and Order of Commitment/Probation; CTN 001: AS04.11.499(a)(fel): Import Alcohol – Dry Area – Large Amt; Class C Felony; Date of Offense: 9/27/13; CTN 001: 24 months, 20 months suspended; Unsuspended 4 months shall be served immediately; Total unsuspended term of incarceration: 4 months; Fines: CTN 001: Fined: \$10,000 with \$0 suspended; Unsuspended \$10,000 shall be paid by 11/14/15; Police Training Surcharge: CTN 001: \$100 (felony); Initial Jail Surcharge: Defendant arrested and taken to a correctional facility or is being ordered to serve a term of imprisonment; Therefore, IT IS ORDERED that defendant immediately pay a correctional facilities surcharge of \$100 per case to the Department of Law Collections Unit, Anchorage; Suspended Jail Surcharge: Defendant is being placed on probation; Therefore, IT IS ORDERED that the defendant pay an 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; DNA IDENTIFICATION: If this conviction is for a "crime against a person" as defined in AS 44.41.035, or a felony under AS 11 or AS 28.35, the defendant is ordered to provide samples for the DNA Registration System when requested by a correctional, probation, parole, or peace officer; IT IS ORDERED that, after serving any term of incarceration imposed, the defendant is placed on probation for 3 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. Michael Koozaata (4/6/91); Order to Modify or Revoke Probation; ATN: 112701528; Violated conditions of probation; Suspended jail term revoked and imposed: 30 days; Must pay suspended \$100 jail surcharge to the AGs Office, Anchorage.

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Date: Fri, Nov 8, 2013 at 11:48 PM
Subject: Re: carriage
To: Bob Ormberg

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