

Ports OK hotel tidelands purchase bid

By DAN RUDY
Sentinel writer

Wrangell's Port Commission gave its go-ahead to a tidelands purchase proposed by the Stikine Inn's owners.

Bill Goodale, who jointly manages the dockside hotel with his wife, Cheryl Goodale, appeared at the February 2 meeting to explain his proposal. He wishes to purchase from the city 25,450 square feet of submerged tidelands and 2,000 square feet of uplands to the north and west of the hotel's current property line, with the intent of expanding and adding to the building.

"We're hoping for 30 rooms, plus retail space on the lower floor," Goodale said of the addition.

This would about double the inn's available rooms, and add a permanent shop front area accessible from the Front Street dock area that would replace the current stall structure there.

Goodale got the proposal into motion in March 2015, when he approached Planning and Zoning with the purchase request. The city subsequently had the property assessed, which Appraisal Company of Alaska valued at \$101,200 in a July 2015 report.

Goodale felt that valuation an overestimate, and has made an offer of \$64,507, which the Borough Assembly will consider. For its part, the Port Commission saw no conflict with its operational interests from the sale, and harbor master Greg Meissner likewise took no issue with the proposal.

Development of the expansion plan was undertaken with R&M Engineering, which was hired to design the plat proposal following Wrangell's waterfront development planning sessions in January and February 2015. Based on the public input given during that, Goodale felt expansion of his hotel would allow for larger conferences and more visitors to be accommodated.

During the meeting, he pointed out that the city finds itself at pains to host larger scale events, such as Southeast Conference in 2015 or the Chief Shakes house rededication the year prior. Even with various bed and breakfast establishments and the now repurposed Sourdough Lodge and Thunderbird Hotel operating,

visitors have had to double up on rooms or seek alternate lodgings, such as the Trident Seafoods bunkhouse.

In his proposal, Goodale pitched that a larger Stikine Inn would help offset the recent loss of the other hotels, and would help bolster the local economy. According to figures prepared by RainCoast Data of Juneau for Wrangell's waterfront planning sessions, the visitor industry has been the community's second-largest private sector for employment, and roughly 14,700 visitors brought in \$4.1M in 2014.

The expansion could benefit local government as well, bringing additional revenue at a time when funding sources at the state level are in jeopardy. Through additional sales, transient and

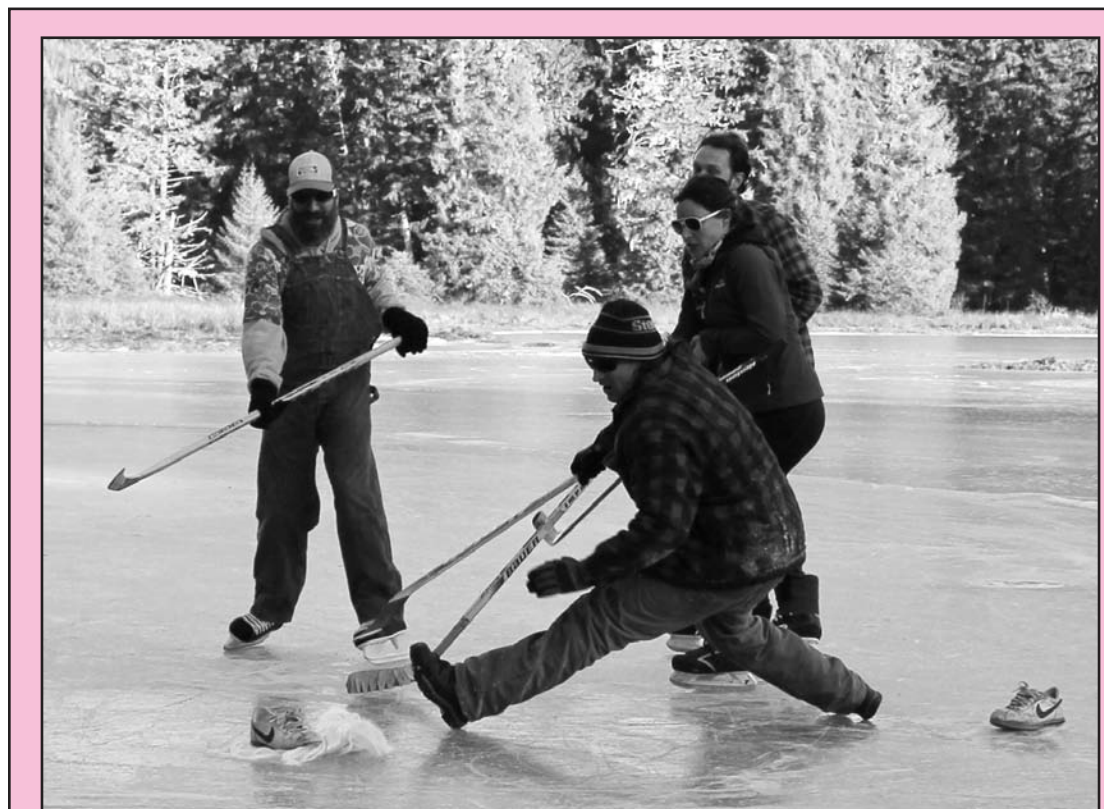


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One past the post

A group of Wrangellites break out the sticks and pucks Saturday at Pats Lake, taking advantage of the ice cover there before the spring thaw. After an extended cold snap, freezing temperatures are due to finally fizzle out this weekend, with rainfall forecasted into next week.

property taxes, Goodale estimated \$100,000 or more could go toward the city's coffers each

year as well. Progress on the expansion has been slower than first hoped for,

particularly after an air crash last April killed two of the engineers

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Fire department booting up for cancer stairclimb

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The Volunteer Fire Department will be sending six of its members to Seattle next month, to climb a lot of stairs and raise a lot of money for cancer research in the process.

Held this year on March 12, the Scott Firefighter Stairclimb is an annual event put on by the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society of Washington and Alaska. Founded in 1949, the society is the world's largest voluntary health organization dedicated to researching and treating various blood cancers.

About 1,800 firefighters from across the country and abroad raise money for the cause, and will partake in the 69-story climb at the Columbia Center, the West Coast's second-tallest skyscraper. Participants make the climb in full firefighting gear, breathing tanks and all. They get timed as well, ascending individually in 15-second intervals.

"As the day goes by the stairwell gets hotter and smells like sweat and vomit," recalled Walter Moorhead, who made the climb for Wrangell last year.

Including himself, making up team again this year will be Jordan Bunes, Chris Hatton, Dustin Johnson, and Dorianne and Adam Sprehe. The six all participated in last year's climb, for which they raised more than \$15,000.

"We'll be taking another person with us probably, to change our air bottles on the 40th floor," Moorhead said. That floor is the only one made available for a brief respite, just time enough for a fresh tank of air to be attached to the suit before resum-

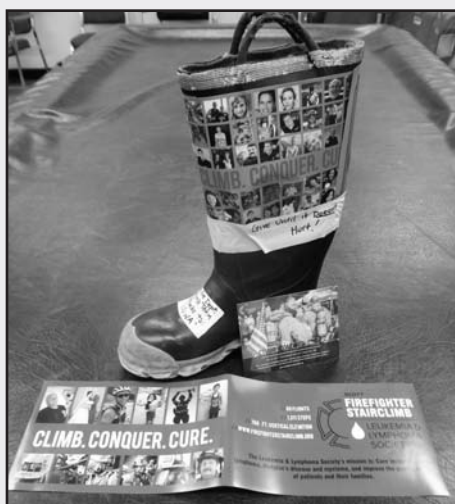


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One of the boots being put out by Wrangell Volunteer Fire Department in an effort to raise funds for the Scott Firefighter Stairclimb in Seattle next month. The charity drive benefits efforts to treat and cure leukemia, lymphoma and other cancers of the blood.

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The group began preparing for this year's climb shortly after Thanksgiving, setting up a popcorn booth during Midnight Madness on December 2. Last year they had also held a spaghetti dinner, but Moorhead explained they may not this year due to mixed schedules.

To help spread the word and collect some funds, boots have been placed at the town's two grocery stores and at First Bank.

"They're a receptacle for donations for the team," Moorhead explained. He placed them out on Friday, and already got \$125

over the weekend in change, bills, even checks. Anything gathered up in the boots will be divided evenly amongst the team members, as firefighters must raise their money individually for the climb. All funds raised then goes to LLSWA, and people headed to the climb arrange for their own travel and lodging expenses.

"Every little bit helps," he said.

People can also donate online, visiting the <http://www.llswa.org> website. Locals can search for the Wrangell team page through the "Donate" menu. Once located, they can pick either the team or individual climbers to contribute to, with the site tracking the team's fundraising progress.

The stated mission of LLSWA is to find cures for leukemia, lymphoma, Hodgkin's disease and myeloma, and to improve the quality of life for patients and their families in the meantime. Last year's climb brought in a record \$2.3 million dollars for blood-cancer research and patient services.

Though the stated purpose is to research and combat blood-borne cancers, Moorhead pointed out that programs often overlap with other areas of research, and findings benefit the wider fight on cancer. "It's all a big research community."

Funding from LLSWA has gone to the Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center in Seattle, for example, which was where Moorhead's wife, Carol Ross, had gone for treatment for her sarcoma. She died before last year's climb, so the team wore pictures of her in their helmets during the event to remember her by. This year they will be wearing pictures of another local, recently diagnosed with cancer.

Birthdays & Anniversaries

The Sentinel extends its best wishes to the persons listed on the Wrangell Chamber of Commerce Community Scholarship Birthday Calendar.

Thursday, February 9: Dan Roope, Bill Grover Jr., Rebecca Fortunato, Gina Smalley, **Friday, February 10:** Gary Stevens, Valarie Draper, Reme Privett III, Bridgette Andrews, Jeff Barlow, **Saturday, February 11:** Ashlyn Christian, Cody Eastaugh, Terry Gerrard, Lexi Prunella, **Sunday, February 12:** Corey Goicoechea, Lacey Soeteber, Victoria Ingram, Valery McCandless, Peter White, **Monday, February 13:** LaDonna Botsford, Robert Davidson, **Tuesday, February 14:** Bob Maxand, Carsyn Christian, Jacob Mork Jr., **Anniversary:** Gig and Julie Decker, **Wednesday, February 15:** Jessica Whitaker, Daniel Bert Nore, **Thursday, February 16:** Deb Robinson, Nicole Francois, Winston Davies

If you would like to add a birthday or anniversary at no charge please call the Sentinel at 874-2301.

Senior Center Menu

Friday, February 10:

Fiesta pork over rice, green beans, spicy fruit cup

Monday, February 13:

Veggie beef soup, 1/2 cheese and tomato sandwich, sunshine salad

Tuesday, February 14:

Herb chicken, steamed spinach, apricot salad, angel biscuit

Wednesday, February 15:

Sweet and sour pork, rice, carrots, garden salad

Thursday, February 16:

Country moose stew, honey orange salad, whole wheat bread

Friday, February 17:

A-1 Meatloaf, mashed potatoes with gravy, green beans, romaine and radish salad

Please call Wrangell Senior Center at 874-2066 by 10 a.m. for reservations.

Milk, tea and coffee will be served with meals.

Wrangell Roundup: Special Events

Thursday, February 9

Story Time: 10 a.m. Public Library. Join us for stories, crafts and snacks.

SAIL Class: 10 a.m. Senior Apartments Atrium. Stay Active and Independent for Life (SAIL) free class is a strength, balance and fitness class for adults 65+. For more info call 874-3375.

Healthy Eating Demo on Healthy Food Preparation: 11:30 a.m. Senior Apartments Atrium. Free class. Learn how easy it is to prepare healthy and delicious food. Samples will be available. For more info call 874-3375.

Yoga: 5:30 p.m. AICS Medical Clinic. Yoga for everybody, please come and join.

Saturday, February 11

Hospice Meeting: 2 p.m. Garnet Room at St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church. Annual Meeting for Hospice of Wrangell. Open to the community.

Monday, February 13

Yoga: 5:30 p.m. AICS Medical Clinic. Yoga for everybody, please come and join.

Tuesday, February 14

SAIL Class: 10 a.m. Senior Apartments Atrium. Stay Active and Independent for Life (SAIL) free class is a strength, balance and fitness class for adults.

Is the attendance at your meeting or event low? Call Rachel at the Sentinel to have it placed here.

Continuing Events

PARKS & REC ACTIVITIES: Lap Swim: M, W, F 6:00-7:30 a.m. & 5:00-6:00 p.m., M-F 11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m., S 11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m.; **Arthritis Foundation Exercise Class:** at the Pool: M, W, F, 9:00-10:00 a.m.; **Water Aerobics:** M, W, F 10:00-11:00 a.m.; **Family Swim:** F 6:00-7:00 p.m.; **General Swim:** M & W 6:00-7:00 p.m., F 7:00-8:00 p.m., S 1:00-2:00 p.m.; **Weight Room:** M-TH 6:00 a.m.-1:30 p.m., 3:30-7:30 p.m., F 6:00 a.m.-1:30 p.m., 3:30-8:30 p.m., S 10:00 a.m.-2:30 p.m. **Extra 2 Lane Lap Swim:** M-W-F 10:00-11:00 a.m.

OTHER MEETINGS/ACTIVITIES/EVENTS:

AA Meetings: Tu. 7 p.m., Toss Off Th. 7 p.m., Smoked Fish F 8 p.m., Step Study Sat. 7 p.m. at the Episcopal Church Parish Hall, Study Materials provided. Wed. M & M 12 p.m. at the Catholic Parish Hall, use back entrance.

NA Meeting: Wednesday, We Do Recover, 8 p.m. at the Episcopal Church Parish Hall.

Bridge Social: F, 1 p.m. at th Island of Faith Lutheran Church 874-3440, 874-3507.

Salvation Army Food Bank: Tuesday, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. For information or questions please call Major Michael Bates at 874-3753.

The Way We Were

In the Sentinel 100, 75, 50 and 25 years ago.

February 8, 1917: F.F.W. Lowie, General Agent for Alaska and Yukon for the Canadian Pacific Rail and Steamship Lines, arrived on the Alki from Juneau and was here several days in interest of his company. Attention may be drawn to the new ad of this company which has been placed with the Sentinel and which appears this week for the first time. From now on until the end of May the "Princess" steamers will leave Wrangell every ten days, viz., on alternate Thursdays and Sundays at 11 p.m. commencing with Thursday, February 15. Before sailing south for Ketchikan, Mr. Lowie advised us that he is in receipt of a circular

from the General Tourist department of his company at Montreal requesting information relative to hunting, fishing, canoe trips, etc. in this Territory.

February 6, 1942: Who's going to catch the biggest fish in Wrangell this season, on sporting tackle? The Stikine Sportsmens Association of Wrangell is planning to try and find out. At its meeting Monday evening, the sportsmen named a committee headed by Secretary Chet Stear to delve into the possibilities of a prize contest for the biggest one and also to consider plans for a fishing derby some Sunday during the spring when the fishing fraternity is taking a little relaxation from the war effort. The sportsmen also named a committee to outline plans and activities for the season to report at the next meeting, March 2.

February 10, 1967: There have been several requests to clarify the purpose of the Wrangell Centennial Committee in connection with the Alaska Centennial Year. One purpose of the Wrangell Centennial Committee is to advertise Wrangell on a statewide and nation-wide basis. The Committee is interested in getting more tourists and visitors to Wrangell during 1967. Civic improvement is a major project of the Committee's activity. The Civic Improvement Committee is planning a clean-up, fix-up, paint-up program to make Wrangell more attractive for visitors as well as for residents. The Projects Committee has already secured a

\$15,000 federal grant for the construction of a museum. Plans have been drawn up and construction is scheduled to begin soon.

February 6, 1992: It's time to put away your bustles and mustache wax, Tent City is done for another year. As promised, there was something for everyone, as well as a few best evers. Keene Kohrt said this year's window display "was the toughest competition I ever had to judge. They were all really good entries." The winning window award went to the Alley Cat. Sylvia's came in second. There was a third-place tie between Millie's and Angerman's Special-Tees. Kids Kingdom took an honorable men-

tion award. Kathleen Fisher said this year's senior dance was the most successful yet. A capacity crowd enjoyed the dinner prepared and served by the Emblem Club and the Rainbow Girls. The Tent City Scrabble Tournament actually lasted until Monday morning. Clara Haley used the home field advantage at Grandma's Barber Shop to take the tournament.

Correction

Wrangell Cougars wrestler Chase Kincaid's name was misspelled in the Feb. 2 story.

FERRY SCHEDULE

Departures

Northbound

Sunday, February 12
Malaspina 2:15 p.m.
Sunday, February 19
Malaspina 3:45 p.m.
Tuesday, February 21
Matanuska 10:15 p.m.

Southbound

Wednesday, February 15
Malaspina 4:00 a.m.
Wednesday, February 22
Malaspina 3:00 a.m.
Friday, February 24
Matanuska 11:30 a.m.

Arrival times may vary. Call 874-2021 for verification or call 874-3711 for recorded information.



TIDES TABLE

February 9 - February 16

High Tides

Low Tides

	AM		PM		AM		PM	
	Time	Ft	Time	Ft	Time	Ft	Time	Ft
Feb. 9	11:28	18.4	-----	-----	5:15	2.3	5:57	-2.7
Feb. 10	0:22	16.4	12:17	18.7	6:04	1.4	6:39	-3.0
Feb. 11	1:05	17.0	1:02	18.6	6:48	0.9	7:18	-2.8
Feb. 12	1:44	17.2	1:43	18.0	7:29	0.7	7:54	-2.1
Feb. 13	2:21	17.0	2:23	17.1	8:08	0.9	8:28	-1.2
Feb. 14	2:57	16.6	3:01	16.0	8:46	1.3	9:01	0.0
Feb. 15	3:31	16.0	3:39	14.7	9:25	1.8	9:35	1.3
Feb. 16	4:06	15.2	4:21	13.3	10:06	2.4	10:11	2.6



Wrangell Weather

Date	High	Low
January 29	41	33
January 30	37	28
January 31	30	23
February 1	28	21
February 2	39	23
February 3	32	28
February 4	37	32
February 5	35	28



Daylight Hours

Date	Sunrise	Sunset	Daylight
Feb. 9	7:29a	4:37p	9:08h
Feb. 10	7:27a	4:39p	9:12h
Feb. 11	7:24a	4:41p	9:17h
Feb. 12	7:22a	4:43p	9:21h
Feb. 13	7:20a	4:45p	9:25h
Feb. 14	7:18a	4:48p	9:30h
Feb. 15	7:15a	4:50p	9:35h
Feb. 16	7:13a	4:52p	9:39h

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Wrangell to get new trooper in several weeks

By DAN RUDY
Sentinel writer

A new trooper has been selected to take the vacant Wrangell assignment, Alaska Wildlife Troopers confirmed this week.

"We've had that position filled," said AWT Captain Steve Hall.

In October the Wrangell post was vacated with the resignation of Trooper Fred Burk. Burk

had been stationed in the area about a year, following a push by locals and their legislative representation to retain the position, which had been under threat of reduction due to budget cutbacks. No trooper had been stationed in Wrangell through the spring and summer of 2015, with the Petersburg post taking on those additional duties.

Trooper David Bozman, currently assigned to Soldotna, has been chosen to fill the position. Bozman graduated from Public Safety Training Academy in the summer of 2015, and Hall explained the trooper has previously been assigned to tempo-

rary duties in Southeast, so "he has a little bit of a heads up."

Reassignment gives troopers 90 days to make the transition, and Bozman is expected to

report into town later in the month.

Hall explained it is difficult to fill solitary posts like Wrangell with first-time offi-

cers, and that placement instead tends to come from within existing ranks. Bozman was the most senior applicant from those who applied.

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assigned to the project. That put work on a lengthy hold, as did the assessment of the property. If sale at an agreeable price can be arranged with the Assembly, Goodale said he would then need to obtain Army Corps of Engineers permitting before work could begin. In all, the project could take three to five years to realize.

In other port business, Jenn Miller was accepted as an appointee to the steering committee for a proposed mariners memorial at Heritage Harbor. The five-member committee has been set up to raise funds for and construct the memorial, which will commemorate those lost at sea. Miller's addition brings the group to full strength, and it can now begin meeting in earnest.

Commission chair Clay Hammer noted she and her family have a vested interest in the memorial's eventual completion, her husband Ryan Miller having been killed in an accident while fishing in 2005.

"This has been near and dear to their heart," Hammer said. "I think she would be a great addition to the team here."

The commission also touched on the topic of floathouses up the Stikine River, the owners of more than a dozen of which have been contacted by the Department of Natural Resources in an effort

to either get them permitted or removed from the river. Letters went out last October, and already one floating facility has been removed by its owner.

Hammer told fellow commissioners he had spoken with the DNR Division of Mining Land and Water, which is addressing the issue. Due to outlined land usage guidelines, he was under the impression that long-term permitting might not be possible for some or all of the involved floathouses.

"If those floathouses get kicked off the river they're going to need a place to go," he pointed out, and asked Meissner whether city harbors could accommodate an influx. Space could be an issue during the spring and summer, and some could have to be used for storage rather than as liveboard use due to sewage management. A temporary, seasonal arrangement may be considered.

In one last piece of business, Wrangell's Marine Service Center will also be looking at its policies for operating its two mobile boat hoists. On January 30 a large similar lift at the yard in Port Townsend slipped off the pier while moving a vessel, putting it out of commission and causing slight damage to the boat. According to the PT Leader, no one was injured, but Meissner said he would be looking at ways to ensure a similar accident does not happen in Wrangell.

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Monday, January 30
Civil Standby.
Reckless Driving: Verbal warning given to driver.
Citizen Assist.

Tuesday, January 31
Report of Theft.
Parking Complaint.

Wednesday, February 1
Citizen Assist: Unlock Vehicle.
Parking Complaint: Vehicle was moved.
Arrested Lucas Schneider, 38, on charges of DUI of Boat, Resisting, Refusal and Violating Conditions of Release.

Thursday, February 2
Nothing to Report.

Friday, February 3
Citizen Assist: Vehicle unlocked.
Arrested Frederick T. Beale, 40, on charges of Driving Under the Influence.
Agency Assist: Chimney Fire.

Saturday, February 4
Agency Assist: Brush Fire: Report of a fire; burn pile was under control.

Sunday, February 5
Citizen Assist: Vehicle unlocked.
Traffic Stop: Verbal warning for driving habits and improper display of tags.
Suspicious Incident: Trespass.

There was one dog complaint and two ambulance calls during the week.

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Presentation pays tribute to outgoing head coach

By DAN RUDY
Sentinel writer

Wrangell High School said its goodbyes to its championship-winning basketball coach during a special ceremony last week.

Boys coach Ray Stokes announced last month his plan to retire after the end of the season, bringing to an end 30 years with the school program. As it was the boys' last home game for the year, a group of colleagues, friends and former players arranged a special tribute before Friday's varsity game.

"I had no idea it was going to be the extent it was," Stokes recounted afterward.

Cody Angerman and Jason Clark reached out to former teammates from over the years. The letters they received they arranged into a binder, which was then presented to Stokes after a slideshow memorializing the teams he fielded the past several decades.

"They touched my heart," he said of the letters, many of which recounted the ways his influence had impacted their lives. "I spent the whole night reading letters."

For Stokes, that relationship with his students was the most important part of coaching. "It's really not coaching, it's teaching," he explained. "There's so much that can be learned through the game of basketball that can be used through life."

He tried to impart to his students many things, but he said honesty, loyalty, respect, and being the best person you can be were among the most important. These were lessons which would make them better men, and hopefully could be of help when things got tough.

A number of them were there for the presentation, some coming up from Washington and Oregon. "All of them showing up, it was just such a surprise," Stokes said.

He had a few words of his own to say to the community, and though he couldn't name everyone he owed his thanks, he took time to single out those who had made his move from Idaho in 1987 an easier and enjoyable one; Fred and Suki Angerman, Keith and Kathy Appleman, Jeff and

Kay Jabusch, Frank and Cheri Young, assistant coach Clark, Gene and Olinda White, and of course his wife, Valerie Stokes, who he met shortly after arriving.

As the banners on the gym wall above them attested to, the teams he coached over the years brought back a number of regional championships, and one from state in 1994-95.

"There were numerous times we were knocking at the door," Stokes noted.

During a special tribute, Jabusch noted the win in '95 came at a time when a spot of good news was most needed. Wrangell's mill had finally closed down and the state championship was won shortly afterward. While not putting any money into anyone's pockets it brought some cheer to the community as it faced an uncertain future.

The tributes moved the coach to tears, and he choked up several times through the evening.

"It was an emotional night for me," he said. "I'll certainly hold that whole evening for the rest of my life."

The evening also paid tribute to the team's outgoing class of seniors. Garrett Miller, Sam Armstrong, Tarren Privett, Dawson Miller, Sam Prysunka and Stokes' youngest son Trent are all graduating at the end of the year.

"It's a really, really great group of boys I lose this year," Stokes said. Giving them gifts, he wished them and their families all the best going forward.

After the season, Stokes said he and his wife will continue to live in Wrangell. Their four children are or will soon be in college, and retirement will allow the two of them more time to visit. Stokes also has a mother back in Idaho he would like to see more of.

A replacement for the coaching position has not been named at this time.



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Wearing a tie at center, boys basketball coach Ray Stokes is presented with a seascape portrait by local artist Brenda Schwartz-Yeager during Friday's special tribute. After 30 years with the team, the coach will be retiring this year.

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Death notice

Ted Haux passed away on Sat., Feb. 4. More information will follow.

Letter to the Editor

To the Editor:

It may be time to check and see if any pigs are flying by, I agree with Ivan Simonek. I too believe that Trump deserves the same "chance" that he and the Republican leadership in Congress gave President Obama after his landslide victory in 2008.

John Morse

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Boys lose two in final home games

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In its last home games of the 2016-17 season, Wrangell High School took on a pair of losses against visiting Metlakatla.

In Friday evening's games, the junior varsity boys opened with a win over the Chiefs. The Wrangell boys recovered from a 12-point deficit in the second quarter, closing that to nine by the half at 15-22. The JV Wolves then took the

offensive, racking up 12 points per quarter while holding Metlakatla to only eight the whole half. The game wrapped up in a 39-30 victory for Wrangell, and Trevor Miller led his team for points with 14 scored, including two three-pointers.

After a tribute to retiring coach Ray Stokes (see adjoining story), the varsity boys played a very tight game against the division's number-two team Metlakatla.

Wrangell briefly took the lead during the third quarter, but the Chiefs remained one or two steps ahead through most of the game. They finished with a 58-51 win over the hosts.

The Wolves benefitted from 20 free throw attempts, of which they made 14. Nine of these were made by Trent Stokes, who led the team for points overall with 20 scored.

The next day, Wrangell's JV played another tight match with the visiting Chiefs. Though outnumbered, the Metlakatla squad built a powerful 13-point lead in the third quarter, holding Wrangell to just two points during that eight minute stretch. Despite picking up 21 points in the final quarter, Wrangell was unable to overtake them and finished with a close 39-43 loss.

Skylar Lofftus and Kellan Eagle together led the team for points scored, with eight apiece. Lofftus also sank four of six attempted free throws during the second half.

The varsity boys on Saturday had a blistering first half, with Metlakatla leading 41-16. That lead was further built on into the third as the Chiefs maintained possession and dropped baskets. Despite a late-game comeback of 27 points, Wrangell finished in a 57-75 loss at the final buzzer.

Wrangell's players made about a third of its attempted shots throughout the game, while



PHOTO BY DAN RUDY

River Guggenbickler (33) lobs one for two points just over the outstretched hands of Metlakatla's Coleton Hayward during Friday's junior varsity game. The Wolves won 39-30 after making a second-half comeback.

Metlakatla was shooting around 49 percent. Though fouls continued to dog the Chiefs for given throw attempts, that only translated into 12 extra points for the Wolves. Trent Stokes again led

the team for points, with 22 overall and four of six free throws.

The team next heads up to Haines this weekend, playing games on the way in Juneau yesterday and this evening.

THANK YOU

I would like to thank all the people who made my 100th Birthday very special. Janell Privett for all her organization, Terre Pino for the cake, Jake Harris for the place, Tis Peterman for all the help, Carol & Harold Snoddy for all you do all the time, my granddaughter Chelsea Keutmann and Shannon Vandervest for the wonderful seafood and decorations, Jill Privett for the yummy food especially the salad, Christy Jamieson, Chamber of Commerce, Vickie Taylor for all your help, Loretta Rice for all your help, Bill & Cheryl Gooddale for helping celebrate, Augie Schultz for your help, Rich Einert for the pictures and Kenny Pete for all your help during the celebration. And to all that came and shared food and stories and your time. I hope I didn't miss anyone! I had a wonderful time.

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Girls lose three in long weekend

By DAN RUDY
Sentinel writer

Wrangell's girls began a long slog of a weekend with a pair of losses at Metlakatla over the weekend.

Playing Friday, the Miss Chiefs opened with a 17-7 lead in the first quarter, building from there. The hosts scored in the double digits every quarter, playing most strongly during the third with 19 scored to Wrangell's five. The game finished in a 32-61 loss for the Lady Wolves.

The team was playing short-handed, with four girls left at home due to injuries. Kaylyn Easterly led her team for points with 17 overall, and making five of six free throw attempts.

Wrangell picked up its pace a bit on Saturday, though the Miss

Chiefs continued to lead throughout. Its defense minimized the Lady Wolves' scoring through the first third of the game, with Wrangell finally rebounding in the fourth with a pair of two-pointers and six of six free throws attempted successfully. Still, the score finished with a 39-26 Metlakatla win.

Rather than return home directly, the team continued on its Southeast sojourn, heading to Craig Monday and Tuesday. The match-up had been rescheduled from early on in the season due to adverse weather.

"It's been a long trip," commented coach Laurie Brown. "We've been on the road quite a few days."

Score sheets and statistics were unavailable by Tuesday's

press time, but the girls lost its Monday evening match in a close 28-35 game. Wrangell led through the first half, but Brown explained the Lady Panthers caught up and outpaced them in the end.



The Southeast Alaska Power Agency (SEAPA) is soliciting proposals from qualified firms to assemble and install a 942-foot long Worthington Products' HDPE TuffBoom style debris boom, and required shore anchoring systems. Assembly and installation will take place at SEAPA's Swan Lake Hydroelectric Project located approximately 22 air miles or 31 water miles northeast of Ketchikan, Alaska. Contractor must provide shore anchor hardware. SEAPA will supply all Worthington provided debris boom materials for contractor assembly.

Bids are due February 24, 2017 at 4:00 p.m. AKST. For a complete set of the bid documents with additional details, please navigate to: www.seapahydro.org/rfp.php or interested respondents may call the SEAPA office at 907.228.2281 for a copy.

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City and Borough of Wrangell, Alaska Public Notice Police Department

Per Wrangell Municipal Code of the Borough and City of Wrangell Chapter 7.08, Section 7.08.010 every person who owns or keeps a dog within the borough shall report to the police department, not later than the first day of February of each year for the purchase of a dog license and required to pay a fee in the sum of \$5.35 which includes city sales tax for each neutered male or spayed female dog and \$16.05 which includes city sales tax for each intact dog so owned or kept.

Wrangell Police Department would also like to remind the public under Section 7.08.030 it is unlawful for any keeper of any domestic animal to permit the animal to be at large on any street, sidewalk, wharf or public place within the incorporated borough limits. Also under Section 7.08.040(3) Keepers shall clean up and remove any dog's feces left by their dogs subject to fines or prohibitions.

Publish: February 9, 2017

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT FOR THE STATE OF ALASKA AT WRANGELL

In the Matter of the Estate of:)
)
Joan Kay Rohm)
Person Who Died (Decedent))
Date of Birth: 1/29/1939)
) CASE NO. 1WR-17-02PR

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

You are notified that the court appointed MIKE KILPATRICK as personal representative of this estate. All persons having claims against the person who died are required to present their claims within four months after the date of the first publication of this notice or the claims will be forever barred.

Date: 01/24/2017
Mike Kilpatrick,
PO Box 2026, Wrangell, AK 99929

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Classified/Legals

Public Notice

Wrangell Cooperative Association Transportation (WCAT) is updating its Long-Range Transportation Plan (LRTP). The draft LRTP is available for questions and comments at the WCAT office at 104 C-1 Lynch St from 8 a.m. - 4 p.m., Mon. - Fri. Deadline for comments: February 20, 2017 at 1 p.m. Call Bill Willard at 874-3077 for more info.
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**City & Borough of Wrangell, Alaska
 PUBLIC NOTICE**

At their Regular Borough Assembly meeting held on January 24, 2017, the Assembly voted to reschedule the upcoming Regular Assembly meeting, scheduled for Tuesday, February 14, 2017 to **Wednesday, February 15, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.**
 The rescheduling of this meeting is so that a Special Assembly meeting can be held on Tuesday, February 14, 2017 to conduct interviews for the Borough Manager position.
 Kim Lane, MMC, Borough Clerk
 City & Borough of Wrangell, Alaska
Publish: February 9, 2017

**City and Borough of Wrangell, Alaska
 NOTICE INVITING BIDS
 Waterfront Armor Rock - City Dock**

Notice is hereby given that the City and Borough of Wrangell, Alaska will receive sealed bids for the construction of the **Waterfront Armor Rock - City Dock** project. WORK consists of all activities necessary to construct the armor rock improvements as shown in the contract documents. The WORK generally includes mobilization, site clearing, rock excavation and placement, storm drain and electrical conduit installation. A mandatory, on-site, pre-bid meeting is scheduled for February 16, 2017 at 11:00 a.m. at the Wrangell City Dock.
 Sealed bids will be received by the City and Borough of Wrangell, Post Office Box 531, Wrangell, Alaska 99929, or located at the Borough Clerk's Office, 205 Brueger Street, Wrangell, Alaska 99929, until 2:00 PM prevailing time on February 23, 2017 and publicly opened and read at that time.
 The Contract Documents are available in electronic format and can be downloaded from the City and Borough of Wrangell website (www.wrangell.com) under the Bids and RFP's section. Downloading Contract Documents from the City and Borough of Wrangell's website requires registration with the Borough Clerk to be placed on the Plan Holders List and to ensure receipt of subsequent Addenda. Failure to register may adversely affect your proposal. It is the Offeror's responsibility to ensure that they have received all Addenda affecting this Solicitation. To be registered, contact the Borough Clerk at 907-874-2381 or at clerk@wrangell.com.
 The OWNER reserves the right to reject any or all Bids, to waive any informality in a Bid, or to make award as it best serves the interests of the OWNER.
 OWNER: The City and Borough of Wrangell
 Jeff Jabusch, Borough Manager

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**City & Borough of Wrangell, Alaska
 Public Hearing
 PUBLIC NOTICE**

The Borough Assembly will hold a **PUBLIC HEARING at 6:30 p.m.**, in the Borough Assembly Chambers on Wednesday, February 15, 2017, on the following items:
a. PROPOSED RESOLUTION NO. 02-17-1361: A RESOLUTION OF THE ASSEMBLY OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF WRANGELL, ALASKA, APPROVING THE SALE OF CITY OWNED TIDELANDS, LOT B OF THE PROPOSED STIKINE INN TIDELANDS RECONFIGURATION FOR LESS THAN THE APPRAISED VALUE FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PURPOSES AS ALLOWED UNDER WRANGELL MUNICIPAL CODE 16.12.012

Action on this item will be taken at the Regular Assembly Meeting that follows the Public Hearing at 7:00 p.m.
The Public is encouraged to attend.
 Kim Lane, MMC, Borough Clerk
 City & Borough of Wrangell
Publish: February 2 and 9, 2017

**Alaska Mental Health Trust Authority
 Trust Land Office
 Notice under 11 AAC 99.050 of**

**Decision to Dispose of Trust Parcels through the Statewide Land Sale Program
 TLO Project #s 2017-137, 2018-138, and 2019-139**

Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to the provisions of AS 38.05.801 and 11 AAC 99, the Executive Director of the Alaska Mental Health Trust Land Office (TLO) has determined that it is in the best interest of the Alaska Mental Health Trust and its beneficiaries to select and offer a number of Trust parcels annually from a pool of approximately 406 parcels until sold but primarily between the years 2017 and 2020 through the TLO's Statewide Land Sale Program. The basis for this determination is explained in a written best interest decision prepared by the Executive Director pursuant to 11 AAC 99.040.
 The Trust land affected by the decision is adjacent or near to the following communities: Big Delta, Big Lake, Butte, Chena Hot Springs, Circle, Cordova, Delta Junction, Eagle River, Edna Bay, Ester, Fairbanks, Fox, Glennallen, Haines, Hollis, Juneau, Kasilof, Kenai, Ketchikan, Lake Minchumina, Little Tutka Bay, Meyers Chuck, Moose Pass, Nenana, Nikiski, North Pole, Petersburg, Pt. MacKenzie, Salcha, Sitka, Sterling, Sutton, Talkeetna, Tenakee Springs, Wasilla, Willow, Windham Bay, and Wrangell. Further descriptions of the parcels may be found in the written best interest decision.
 Persons who believe that the written decision should be altered because it is not in the best interests of the Trust or its beneficiaries, or because the decision is inconsistent with Trust management principles set out in 11 AAC 99.020, or any other provision of 11 AAC 99, must provide written comments on or before **4:30 PM, March 6, 2017. Comments should be submitted to the TLO at 2600 Cordova Street, Suite 100, Anchorage, AK 99503, or by fax (907) 269-8905 or email mhtlo@alaska.gov.** Following the comment deadline, the Executive Director will consider timely comments that question the decision on the basis of the best interest of the Alaska Mental Health Trust and its beneficiaries or inconsistency with 11 AAC 99, and the best interest decision may be changed in response to such written comments or other information. Commenting parties will be provided a copy of the final best interest decision after the end of the notice period.
 To be eligible to file for reconsideration of the best interest decision, or to file a subsequent appeal to the Superior Court, a person must have submitted written comments during the notice period. Eligible persons will have twenty (20) calendar days after published notice of or receipt of the final written decision to request that the Executive Director reconsider the decision under 11 AAC 99.060(b).
 Copies of the written decision are available at the Trust Land Office, or at www.mhtrustland.org. If you have any questions concerning this action, please contact the Trust Land Office at (907) 269-8658.
 In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, the Alaska Mental Health Trust is prepared to accommodate individuals with disabilities. Please contact the Trust Land Office at (907) 269-8658 for assistance. Requests for assistance must be received at least 96 hours prior to the comment deadline in order to ensure that any necessary accommodations can be provided.
 The Executive Director of the TLO reserves the right to waive technical defects in this notice or to amend, postpone, or vacate the best interest decision.

John Morrison
 Executive Director
Published: February 9, 2017

Dated: 1/31/2017

**CITY AND BOROUGH OF WRANGELL
 Surplus Property
 FOR SALE**

The City and Borough of Wrangell, is soliciting bids for the sale of various surplus property.
 All surplus property is to be sold As-is, Where-is, and will be available for public review and inspection upon request, Monday through Friday beginning Wednesday, January 25, 2017.
The "list of items and bid forms" are available at City Hall, 205 Brueger Street, Wrangell, Alaska.
 Bids must be enclosed in a sealed envelope marked:
"Surplus Property Sale - February 10, 2017"
 The City and Borough of Wrangell does not offer any warranty or guarantee on the condition of any equipment.
 All bids must be received on or before:
Friday, February 10, 2017 by 2:00 p.m.
 at the Office of the Borough Clerk. Payment must be received from bidder within one week of bid opening.
 Kim Lane, MMC
 Borough Clerk
Publish: February 2 and 9, 2017

**CITY AND BOROUGH OF WRANGELL
 Notice to Senior Citizens and Disabled Veterans**

SENIOR CITIZEN & DISABLED VETERAN PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION APPLICATIONS will be accepted at Wrangell City Hall - P.O. Box 531, Wrangell, AK 99929, **until 5:00p.m. March 1, 2017.** A drop box is available after hours. Applications mailed must be postmarked by March 1, 2017. These forms are also available on our website: <http://www.wrangell.com>.
 First-time **Senior Citizen** applicants will be required to provide proof of age in the form of a Birth Certificate or US Passport. You must be 65 years old or older as of January 1, 2017 to qualify.
 First-time **Disabled Veteran** applicants will be required to provide proof of 50% or more disability.
THE PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION DOES NOT PLACE A LIEN ON THE PROPERTY.
 Lee Burgess
 Finance Director
 City and Borough of Wrangell, Alaska
Publish: Jan. 12, 19, 26 and Feb. 2, 9, 16 and 23, 2017

Fish Factor

by Laine Welch

Salmon is the heart of Alaska's fisheries – it almost singlehandedly spawned the push for statehood nearly 60 years ago. A new Alaska Salmon Fellows program wants to make sure Alaskans are poised to "shape the future" of the cultural fish and it is investing in the people to do so.

In its call for applications, the Fellows program is described as a means to "facilitate demanding conversations about salmon issues among leaders from a cross section of salmon policy, management, industry, activism, research and cultural sectors."

"The goal is to bring people with different perspectives together from all across Alaska, people who care about the future and want to work together, and let them shape strategies and initia-

tives by learning from each other," said Kitty Farnham, Director of Leadership Programs for the Alaska Humanities Forum, sponsor of the Salmon Fellows program.

Most Alaskans are deeply connected to salmon in some way, but it has some flash point issues, such as allocation and interception grievances among users and the urban/rural divide. One thing everyone has in common, Farnham said, is a desire to preserve and protect the fish, and the importance of dialogue is core to the purpose of the Humanities Forum.

"We often don't see each other's perspectives very well because we're mostly talking to people who have a similar relationship to the world of salmon,

whether it's commercial fishermen, or sport users or subsistence. We want to create stronger connections across all those boundaries," she explained. "We really believe it takes all thinkers and all residents to be part of different solutions. So this notion of holding a space where we can learn with and from each other will broaden our understanding of how our salmon is going to remain sustainable and acceptable to all Alaskans for generations."

Each Salmon Fellow will receive \$10,000 to support their participation in the program and use of the money is open ended.

"Truly, there are no restrictions on that. It may be used to cover childcare or elder care for someone's participation. They might choose to use that money to invest in their existing work; they can spend the \$10,000 however they want individually," Farnham said.

A determination of success of the Fellows program could be as simple as seeing more people involved in "dialogues that matter, so there is a higher level of inclusion across all parts of our community," she added.

Salmon Fellows will be required to attend four gatherings starting in May through next April; all travel costs are covered from a separate pool of funds. Fellows also are expected to fully participate in readings, connections between events, and development of innovative projects that

promote a strong future for Alaska's salmon and people.

"Projects they come up with as a result of listening and talking with each other," Farnham explained. "Things they can do together that they can't do alone. Those initiatives will be separately funded later this year."

A webinar on the Salmon Fellows program scheduled for Feb. 8 is limited to 50 people and will remain on the Alaska Humanities Forum website. Deadline to apply for a Salmon Fellows award is Feb. 28; recipients will be notified in April. <http://www.akhf.org/alaska-salmon-fellows>

Fish business builders – Applications also are now open to entrepreneurs who want to compete for access to global investors, advisors and partners to help grow their businesses.

Fish 2.0 began two years ago as a way to connect producers and investors in the sustainable seafood sector.

"We noticed that investors in the field were having a hard time finding fisheries deals, and fishery business owners were frustrated that investors had no interest. We created Fish 2.0 to build connections between the groups," said Monica Jain of Manta Consulting and Fish 2.0 Founder. "Our goal is to create the business growth needed to drive social and environmental change in the seafood supply chain."

The mix makes for a mutually beneficial trade off. Fish 2.0 competitors learn to improve their business savvy and access; in turn, participating investors gain early advantage to new deals that can help build their sustainable seafood portfolios.

The Fish 2.0 competition takes place online over several months with participants paired up with investors/advisors to develop better business and promotional strategies. The top three businesses from regional tracks and the top five from global tracks then compete for over \$50,000 in cash prizes at a final pitch in November at Stanford University in Palo Alto, California.

"As a past participant and winner of Fish 2.0, I would highly encourage Alaskans looking to grow a seafood business that values the triple bottom line of environmental, social and economic impacts to consider competing," said Kelly Harrell, executive director of the Alaska Marine Conservation Council.

Harrell bested 170 others in the competition two years ago with AMCC's Alaska Community Seafood Hub concept, an expansion of its Catch of the Season program which provides special orders of salmon, rockfish, cod and crab direct from local fishermen to Alaska restaurants, wholesalers and seafood fans.

"The competition's process is thoughtfully designed to help entrepreneurs strengthen their business model, and the connections were extremely valuable," Harrell added. "Overall, it was a great experience and it would be wonderful to see more Alaskan seafood businesses participate."

Over 60 percent of finalists in the Fish 2.0 2015 competition gained new investment, partners or customers, according to Fish 2.0

The application period of 2017 is open through April 29. <http://fish20.org/>

Hoonah goes high end – Smoked salmon bites in snazzy bags and jars are "made to put Alaska in the palm of your hand" – and the new items are flying off the shelves in over 400 specialty stores and online.

Launched last year in a partnership of the Huna Totem Native Corporation and Dear North of San Francisco, the coho and sockeye salmon is caught and prepared locally and seasoned with wild ingredients.

"Our best seller is the salmon with savory sea kelp and sesame," said Anne French, Dear North President, adding that other flavors include spicy fireweed honey, wild Alaska spruce, and salted rhubarb and raspberry.

French said the partnership provides an opportunity to honor the unique place where the salmon comes from and appeals to a "magical interest and curiosity about the Alaska lifestyle."

"People down here are crazy about Alaska. Whether they know anything about it or not, they are just completely crazy about it," French added. www.dearnorth.com



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PFD bill gets committee hearing, Ortiz files mining resolution

Entering its third full week of the session, Alaska's Legislature continues to look at a variety of spending cuts and revenue options.

On February 2, the Senate Finance Committee heard SB 21, a proposal of Sen. Bert Stedman to restructure how Permanent Fund earnings are appropriated. Currently the \$56B in the fund are constitutionally protected, but the bill proposes further limiting the amount of money that can be withdrawn from the principal to 4.5 percent of market value, based on a rolling five-year average.

That rate falls within the five-percent range the Alaska Permanent Fund Corporation recommends as "sustainable" - withdrawing more than that risks depleting the fund principal. Stedman expressed his concern that, out of fiscal need, legislators may end up raiding the fund in such an unsustainable way.

"We have to protect it from ourselves. We are the appropriators," Stedman testified to the committee.

About half of that 4.5 percent would go toward PF dividend payments, with the rest either going to fund core public services, increasing the dividend, or reinvesting into the fund principal.

Chairing the committee, Sen. Mike Dunleavy questioned whether a constitutional amendment would be more suitable for the proposed plan, to which Stedman responded timing was an issue. The state is facing an estimated \$3.5B spending deficit this year, which will exhaust available savings within the next year and a half if allowed to continue.

After the hearing, SB 21 remains in committee, and has not yet been scheduled for a further teleconference.

On the House side, on January 30, Rep. Dan Ortiz proposed

House Joint Resolution 9, which would urge the federal government to continue working with its Canadian counterpart to investigate the long-term, regionwide downstream effects of mines either operating or proposed in British Columbia. Specifically the resolution wants to support preservation of the Stikine, Taku and Unuk rivers, which are shared transboundary waters and significant to the region's fishing and

culture.

The resolution has been referred to the House Special Committee on Fisheries and the Resource Committee after first reading.

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Matanuska return to service delayed by repairs

Repairs to one of Southeast's primary public ferries will take longer than anticipated.

Alaska Marine Highway System reported the M/V Matanuska may not return to service until February 20, 10 days later than initially expected. Taken offline on January 3, the ship is currently in Ketchikan for its annual maintenance overhaul.

"During that process they found some steel that needs to be replaced before it can return," explained Department of Transportation and Public Facilities spokesperson Meadow Bailey.

The delay has affected scheduling for some passengers, necessitating reroutes and other accommodations on the part of ADOTPF.

Launched in 1963, Matanuska is one of the state ferry system's first vessels, and one of two mainline ferries that can currently connect with Prince Rupert, British Columbia. Its sister vessel, M/V Malaspina, continues to connect Southeast to Bellingham, Washington.

Launched the same year, their smaller sister ship the Taku was decommissioned in 2015, and is currently awaiting sale. State and municipal governments have the opportunity to put in a bid for the vessel until February 21. If none are received, the process then would go out to the wider public. An asking price has not been attached to the sale.

Municipality of Anchorage settles port lawsuit with PND engineers

Anchorage, AK - The Municipality of Anchorage, which sued PND Engineers, Inc. in 2013 over the failed Port of Anchorage Intermodal Expansion project and sought more than \$100 million in damages, has settled with PND for \$750,000. PND was the designer of record on the project, which was halted before completion of the construction.

"We are happy to settle this meritless suit against us for less than the cost of going to trial, and move on with the business of engineering," said Jim Campbell, PND President.

PND's Open Cell Sheet Pile™ design was originally selected for the Port of Anchorage Expansion Project after a lengthy review by multiple local, state and federal agencies, and subject experts in soil mechanics and seismic design. To combat the Municipality's subsequent contention that the project suffered design problems, PND and other design defendants brought in additional top internationally-rec-

ognized experts in engineering, soil mechanics and seismic stability, who were able to clearly explain why the Municipality's contentions were wrong, and that the design was suitable.

PND stands behind its Open Cell Sheet Pile design which has been used successfully in more than 180 projects worldwide.

"The OPEN CELL™ design provides advantages in many infrastructure projects and has been successfully installed all over the world," said Campbell. "As the lawsuit progressed, testimony and expert studies showed that PND's design was suitable for the project and the problems with the Port of Anchorage project in 2008-2009 were the result of poor management and construction practices."

PND was the first to raise construction concerns and called for dredging and dive surveys that confirmed construction related damage in 2009. PND Engineers is consistently ranked as one of the top firms in the country in their field.



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