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City seeks extension in labor legal dispute

By DAN RUDY
Sentinel writer

The City and Borough of Wrangell and the public employees union remain on course to pursue litigation in an ongoing collective bargaining dispute.

Since the expiration in June 2014 of the current collective bargaining agreement between the city and workers represented by the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 1547, both sides have been unable to come to terms on a new agreement. Though expired, the 24 employees represented by the union are currently still being compensated under the terms of the old CBA.

Mediation undertaken through the spring of 2015 did not resolve the dispute, with last best offers rejected by both parties during the summer. Legal representation was formally involved that September, with use of a third-party arbitrator to settle the disagreement suggested. Discussions continued into 2016, with Anchorage-based arbitrator Robert Landau identified as an agreeable selection. But disagreements over the terms and scheduling of arbitration have led to the city's withdrawal from that process last month.

CBW filed a complaint for declaratory judgment and injunctive relief with the state Superior Court, and a motion to enjoin and stay arbitration on Sept. 8. Judge Trevor Stephens granted expedited consideration at the city's request the next day, with a briefing schedule and oral arguments set for Sept. 20. In addition to two unfair labor practice charges filed with the Alaska Labor Relations Agency, the union followed up the city's action with a motion to compel arbitration.

After considering the available information, Stephens had ruled in favor of the city's request to stay arbitration on September 28, denying IBEW's request to compel. The court found that union-represented employees of the city were in this case not statutorily entitled to binding interest arbitration, and that an arbitrator was not in the position to decide that the union and employer must so engage.

In the order, Stephens noted the city and union are heading for potentially lengthy and expensive litigation, and that while some progress had been made between the two parties the court's decision to stay did not preclude reaching a settle-

ment.

"The court has not issued any orders in this case that in any way prevent the parties from continuing to negotiate, engaging in mediation, or from expeditiously agreeing to arbitrate and arbitrating," he wrote. "The parties doing so would not prejudice either party's position(s) in this case."

On October 11, IBEW submitted a letter to the city offering to resolve the lawsuit. In the letter, counsel Justin Roberts expressed the union's willingness to agree to non-binding, "baseball interest" arbitration as requested by the city. In that scenario, the arbitrator would be limited in the offer options available to choose between, a decision which would not be binding for either party.

There were several terms outlined in this offer, including retaining Landau as arbitrator and meeting with him for interest arbitration by December 23. If a hearing date is selected, the parties would jointly move to hold litigation and unfair labor practice charges in abeyance pending the results of that arbitration.

The letter noted that if a hearing date is not agreed upon by November 1, the two parties shall continue on their current course. It considered the addition of any continuance requests to be grounds for reactivating those proceedings.

On October 14 the city proceeded to file just such a request, with its attorney Bob Blasco requesting a continuance of six months from November 17, or to May 17, 2017. The reason given was to allow for discovery, a pre-trial procedure allowing parties to obtain evidence from the other party or parties by request, as well as to respond to the points presented in the union's motion for summary judgment.

"The union's answer to the (Borough's) complaint, however, by disputing many of the Borough's factual assertions, puts this case's factual assertions in dispute," Blasco wrote.

On Monday IBEW filed an opposition to the city's request for extension of time, with its counsel Serena Green contending "the entirety of the evidence of the contract negotiations has already been produced," and that "further discovery would not produce evidence not already on the record."

"The delay would condemn the union to another year of bargaining limbo and may require the union to proceed to a strike vote," the document concluded.

Stephens had by Tuesday's press time not ruled on the city's motion for extension. He is due in Wrangell on November 14 for its

regularly scheduled court week. A scheduling hearing in the case for setting trial and pre-trial deadlines has been set for November 17.

Due to the nature of ongoing negotiations and impending legal action, both parties declined to comment on the story.



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Michelle Jenkins, Jill Privett, Mikki Angerman, Lucy Robinson, Josephine Lewis show support for runners of the Alaska Day 5K at the finish line on Saturday.

Holiday half-marathon raises money for cancer care

By DAN RUDY
Sentinel writer

Local runners stretched their legs last week in honor of Alaska Day, taking part in a five-kilometer run and half-marathon and raising money for cancer care in the process.

The event was put together by Southeast Beasts, a local nonprofit made up of runners, joggers and walkers who get together during the year to enjoy the outdoors and raise money for worthy causes in the process. Since the Alaska Day 5K and Half-Marathon's start in 2014, F/V Pacific Sea owner Frank Warfel Jr. has each year covered costs for staging the run, allowing proceeds raised to go toward the group's selected charity.

This year that money will go toward the Wrangell Medical Center Foundation's cancer care fund, which helps defray costs of travel

and lodging for individuals receiving cancer treatment. Last year Southeast Beasts' marathon raised around \$1,300 for the program. Final tallies on what was raised this year have yet to be announced.

Fifty participants and their dogs took to the course on Saturday morning, looping runners through town on either the 5K or 13-mile half-marathon route.

"I would consider that successful," event organizer Lucy Robinson said of the turnout.

In the 5K, Erik Ekland took first among men with a time of 24 minutes and 31 seconds. Jenn Davies took first among women at 25:36. Running the half-marathon, Dustin Johnson came in first for men at a time of one hour and 37 minutes. Kristen Gronlund placed first for women at exactly two hours. Race winners

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Birthdays & Anniversaries

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

Thursday, October 27: Nathaniel Rooney, Sam Fennimore, **Anniversary:** James and Rachel Stough, **Friday, October 28:** Abigail Armstrong, Sam Nieshi, Frank Young, Jr., Relda Streets, **Saturday, October 29:** Margaret Fisher, Stan Torvend, Jeanne Lindley, Jody Lindley, Carolyn Ottesen, Sadie O'Brien, **Sunday, October 30:** Kurt Newcomb, Keith Shilts, Sr., Michael Christian, Eric Dilg, **Anniversary:** Mark and Nola Walker, **Monday, October 31:** River Guggenbickler, **Anniversary:** Steve and Karin Nesbitt, Mick and Celly Young, **Tuesday, November 1:** Liam Maddox, John Bunes, Karri Bunes, Scott Fennimore, Debi Prunella, Karen Morse, Matthew Weber, Amos Comstock, **Wednesday, November 2:** Haig Demerjian, Kristen Stutz, Jackson Powers, Kyna DeBoer, Ian Nelson, **Anniversary:** Mike and Ida Howell, **Thursday, November 3:** Arabella Nore, Kitty Angerman
 If you would like to add a birthday or anniversary at no charge please call the Sentinel at 874-2301.

Senior Center Menu

Friday, October 28:

Baked fish, brussels sprouts, carrot raisin salad, pilot bread

Monday, October 31:

Fiesta pork, sweet potatoes, cauliflower, fruit slaw

Tuesday, November 1:

Swedish meatballs, pasta, broccoli, tossed salad

Wednesday, November 2:

Fiesta pork, sweet potato, cauliflower, fruit slaw

Thursday, November 3:

Chicken california, rice, peas, fresh fruit

Friday, November 4:

1/2 Tuna sandwich, creme of tomato soup, apple and cabbage slaw

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

Milk, tea and coffee will be served with meals.

FERRY SCHEDULE

Departures

Northbound

Saturday, October 29

Matanuska 6:30 a.m.

Sunday, October 30

Kennicott 9:15 p.m.

Tuesday, November 1

Matanuska 10:30 p.m.

Saturday, November 5

Matanuska 5:45 a.m.

Sunday, November 6

Kennicott 4:45 p.m.

Tuesday, November 8

Matanuska 8:15 p.m.

Southbound

Friday, October 28

Matanuska 12:45 p.m.

Monday, October 31

Matanuska 3:15 p.m.

Wednesday, November 2

Kennicott 8:30 a.m.

Monday, November 7

Matanuska 7:30 a.m.

Wednesday, November 9

Kennicott 8:15 a.m.

Friday, November 11

Matanuska 9:15 a.m.

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



TIDES TABLE

October 27 - November 3

High Tides

Low Tides

| | AM | | PM | | AM | | PM | |
|---------|-------|------|-------|-------|------|-----|------|------|
| | Time | Ft | Time | Ft | Time | Ft | Time | Ft |
| Oct. 27 | 11:43 | 16.4 | ----- | ----- | 5:26 | 1.3 | 6:00 | 0.9 |
| Oct. 28 | 0:06 | 15.4 | 12:21 | 17.0 | 6:06 | 1.1 | 6:36 | 0.0 |
| Oct. 29 | 0:47 | 15.7 | 12:55 | 17.2 | 6:39 | 1.2 | 7:08 | -0.6 |
| Oct. 30 | 1:25 | 15.8 | 1:26 | 17.2 | 7:10 | 1.4 | 7:37 | -0.9 |
| Oct. 31 | 2:00 | 15.6 | 1:56 | 17.0 | 7:39 | 1.8 | 8:07 | -1.0 |
| Nov. 1 | 2:34 | 15.2 | 2:24 | 16.5 | 8:07 | 2.3 | 8:36 | -0.8 |
| Nov. 2 | 3:07 | 14.7 | 2:52 | 16.0 | 8:36 | 3.0 | 9:07 | -0.4 |
| Nov. 3 | 3:41 | 14.1 | 3:21 | 15.4 | 9:08 | 3.6 | 9:42 | 0.1 |

Wrangell Roundup: Special Events

Thursday, October 27

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.

Sunday, October 30

Singspiration: 6:30 p.m. Seventh Day Adventist Church. Refreshments and fellowship after the service. Everyone is welcome.

Monday, October 31

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

Tuesday, November 1

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.

Friday, November 4

Burger Night: 6 p.m. Elks. In Honor of Our Veterans a burger night will be sponsored by the Wrangell Emblem Club #87 and Wrangell B.P.O.E. #1595 for all present and past veterans. RSVP is appreciated. 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: Step Study, Mon 8 p.m., Tu. 7 p.m., Toss Off Th. 7 p.m., Smoked Fish F 8 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 75, 50 and 25 years ago.

November 9, 1916: A few months ago a few natives of Wrangell organized a society to be known as The Sisters and Brothers Society of Wrangell, Alaska. According to the group's agreement, "The membership shall be composed of sober well disposed Native men and women living in Wrangell who sign this agreement and pay the sum of twenty-five cents per month. The purpose of this Society shall be to care for the sick and bury the dead. The Natives signing the above were: Joseph Louie, Mary Loftus, Jennie Beaudrie, Anna Lloyd, Kittie Kinch, Agnes Louie, John Bradley, Emma Bradley, Maud Williams, Susie Walburg, Jim Cooney, Kittie Cooney, Flossie Eschonclan, Peter Eschonclan, Susie Lynch, Nellie Gleason, Lizzie Grant, Susie Thomas, Annie Hansen and Jane Thomas. Added to the above are 11 new members making the total membership to date 31.

November 7, 1941: A second call for men to fill the ranks of the Alaska Defense Command was made yesterday by Gov. Ernest Gruening. Wrangell Selective Service Board was instructed to furnish eight men and to deliver them at Chilkoot Barracks by December 10. First quota for Wrangell was 13. Of these John Adamoli was inducted and passed his examination at Ketchikan for entrance into the Army. Four went to Chilkoot from here but no official report on whether they were accepted has been received by the local board from the induction station. According to word to relatives here Harry Ukas and David Sandman are being returned to Wrangell. No official word has been received up to date by the Board on the other men.

November 4, 1966: The resident population of Alaska climbed 17.3 percent in the five years from April 1, 1960 to July 1, 1965, according to a report issued this week by the Employment Security Division of the Alaska Department of Labor. In a breakdown by election districts, the report estimates that the population in the Wrangell-Petersburg district increased by 19.5 percent. In the five years following the 1960 federal census, the report estimated the total Alaska population had risen to 265,192. The Petersburg-Wrangell area rose from 4,181 in 1960 to 4,996 in 1965.

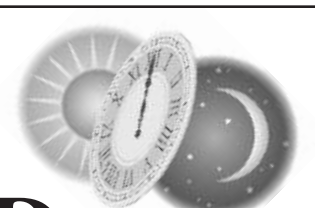
November 7, 1991: Wrangell will have a new hardware store. Well, not exactly. City Market Pro Hardware recently affiliated

with the nationally advertised Sentry Hardware Stores Program. The store will be renamed Sentry Hardware and Marine. "This change is part of our constant effort to provide our community with better services and bigger selections of brand-name products plus more competitive pricing," owner Benn Curtis said. Store manager Gene White told the Sentinel the store's major supplier had changed affiliations after 29 years. "We've been happy with PRO, but we feel we're better positioned for the future with Sentry," White said. White said he expects the change-over of the store, including inside and outside signage to be complete by the middle of the month. He described it as a "fairly big job."



Wrangell Weather

| Date | High | Low |
|------------|------|-----|
| October 16 | 48 | 37 |
| October 17 | 51 | 42 |
| October 18 | 51 | 46 |
| October 19 | 50 | 44 |
| October 20 | 46 | 44 |
| October 21 | 48 | 44 |
| October 22 | 50 | 39 |
| October 23 | 46 | 35 |



Daylight Hours

| Date | Sunrise | Sunset | Daylight |
|---------|---------|--------|----------|
| Oct. 27 | 7:44a | 5:18p | 9:34h |
| Oct. 28 | 7:46a | 5:16p | 9:30h |
| Oct. 29 | 7:48a | 5:14p | 9:26h |
| Oct. 30 | 7:50a | 5:12p | 9:22h |
| Oct. 31 | 7:52a | 5:09p | 9:17h |
| Nov. 1 | 7:55a | 5:07p | 9:12h |
| Nov. 2 | 7:57a | 5:05p | 9:08h |
| Nov. 3 | 7:59a | 5:03p | 9:04h |

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Wrangell trooper resigns, post open to applicants

By DAN RUDY
Sentinel writer
Wrangell's Wildlife Trooper position was vacated this month, but efforts are being made to refill it.
After about a year of service in the area Trooper Fred Burk put in

his notice, resigning from the position after the end of September.

"We have been trying to fill that position," explained Captain Steve Hall, commander of the AST Southern Detachment covering Southeast and Southwest Alaska. "We want to see a trooper in the community there."

In Southeast there are currently 15 trooper positions, including one lieutenant and three sergeants. A division of the Department of Public Safety, the AWT is tasked with statewide patrol of commercial game and hunting activities,

fisheries, promoting public safety and reducing environmental non-compliance.

Wrangell's position was previously considered for reduction last year, following a round of cuts to the department's budget. At the time vacant, jurisdiction over the Wrangell area would have been merged with Petersburg's office. Hall recounted a combination of input from the public and legislators had convinced AWT to reverse course and retain the Wrangell post, and Burk had been assigned to the area by the middle of the moose season.

The position is now open to other troopers in the state, and candidates can submit their


names for consideration. Troopers are considered based on qualifications and seniority. Once awarded, a trooper is given several months to relocate to the new assignment.

"It could happen sooner or later, depending on individual needs," Hall explained. He anticipated Wrangell could have its new trooper by the spring of 2017, in time for the sport fishing season.

"In the meantime, primary coverage comes out of Petersburg," he added.


For trooper assistance and other inquiries, residents are advised to call the AWT dispatch center in Ketchikan at 907-225-5118.

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Corrections

In the October 13 issue of the paper, newly elected Hospital Board member Marlene Messmer was mistakenly misidentified.

In coverage of moose season totals run on October 20, ADFG has since corrected its count to 112 moose taken by hunters this year. The tally still stands as the highest on record.

Court report

October 13

Casey R. Seimears, 34, appeared before First District Court Magistrate Judge Chris Ellis for two misdemeanor charges, Operating a Vehicle While Under the Influence of Alcohol/Drugs and Driving with License Cancelled/Suspended/Revoked. The defendant pleaded guilty to both offenses, and was sentenced to serve 50 days with 37 suspended. Seimears was also ordered to pay \$3,225 in fines and surcharges, with \$1,600 suspended, to undergo and pay for a treatment program, and upon regaining driving privileges install an ignition interlock device on his vehicle. The defendant was placed on probation for one year

Police report

Monday, October 17

Citizen Assist – Unlock Vehicle.
Traffic Complaint.
Citizen Assist – Unlock Vehicle.
Illegal Dumping – Owner of garbage has been notified.

Found Property – returned to owner.

Tuesday, October 18

Agency Assist – TSA.
Criminal Mischief.
Report of Disturbance.

Wednesday, October 19

Animal Control – Chickens in School Zone.

Gunshots – Officer responded UTL.
Found Property.

Thursday, October 20

Citizen Assist – Officer responded.
Report of Theft.
Illegal Parking.
Citation issued to Richard Burr, 62, for

chickens running loose.

Citation issued to Jesse Oglend, 27, for Objectionable Animal.
Report of Trespass.
Driving Complaint.

Friday, October 21

Citation issued to Jesse Oglend for Dog at Large.

Missing Dog.
Citizen Assist – Officer unlocked vehicle.

Saturday, October 22

Traffic Hazard – Dumpster replaced to its proper location.


Sunday, October 23

Vehicle Theft: Vehicle located and recovered.

Civil Issue.
Agency Assist.


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Obituary: Elizabeth "Lou" Ercolin, 84



Elizabeth "Lou" Ercolin

Elizabeth (Lou) Ercolin, 84, passed from this life the morning of October 9, 2016 in Sparks, Nevada, after a long battle with Alzheimer's disease.

She was born on November 10, 1931 in Vero Beach, Florida, to William Thomas McClellan and Emma Young.

She graduated from High School in Vero Beach and married the love of her life, Patrick R. Ercolin on June 10, 1950. They were married for 52 years until his passing in 2002.

They raised six children, the two youngest were born in Germany where her husband was a teacher for the Army. Lou worked when the family needed, as a telephone operator and/or seamstress, however her devotion was to raising their children. She was a Mom who welcomed many neighborhood children into their home as well. Lou continued to reach out to anyone she saw in need throughout her life.

Lou enjoyed reading and was happy to curl up with a good book whenever possible. She could be found many Sunday after-

noons with the local paper and an iced coffee. She also loved to watch and listen to the birds while admiring the beautiful flowers.

She and her late husband raised their six children while traveling across the miles including Florida, Utah, Germany, Washington and Alaska. She most recently and for the past 10 years has lived in Sparks, Nevada.

She is survived by one sister, Carolyn Perry; children Charlie (Barbara) Ercolin, Ralph (Julie) Ercolin, Susan Reilly, and Bridgette Ercolin; grandchildren Cassie (Jake) Remming, Corey (Casi) Ercolin, Heidi Burris, Katie (Kiko) Juvinel, Jonathon Reilly, Charissa Ercolin, Clover (Trevor) Jenkins, Christopher Ercolin, Clay (Kristina) Ercolin and Stephanie Ercolin; five great grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

Remembrances in lieu of flowers may be sent to St. Mary's Hospice, 690 Sierra Rose Dr., Reno, NV 89511 or Nevada Humane Society, 2825 Longley Ln B, Reno, NV 89502 or SPCA, 4950 Spectrum Blvd, Reno, NV 89512.

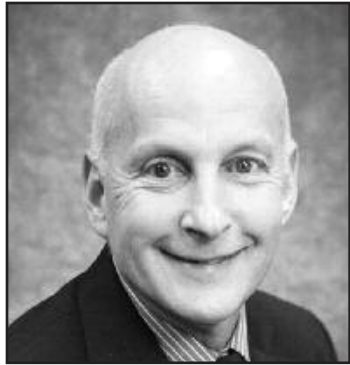
Dan's Dispatch

By Representative
Dan Ortiz

The Stikine, Taku and Unuk watersheds are a major factor in the reliability of our seafood and tourism industries. Our fisheries, mariculture, and tourism industries rely on healthy watersheds, which replenish these resources and maintain our scenic reputation and seafood quality. If these rivers are not maintained for quality, our resources will diminish, as vital nutrients and safety conditions will lapse.

According to recent estimates from the McDowell Group, the total annual economic contribution of these watersheds to Southeast Alaska is approximately 48 million dollars. Our Southeast economy is at risk if watershed conditions deteriorate. The watersheds for these rivers are on the Canadian side of our border. This is why we must engage with Canada on transboundary issues.

I applaud the Statement of Cooperation between the State of Alaska and British Columbia, which was spearheaded by



Dan Ortiz

Lieutenant Governor Mallott. I was active in the dialog during the drafting process for this document and know that this statement of cooperation will provide an excellent framework for our future engagement with Canada on transboundary issues. It will be a useful tool as we continue advocating for Canada to adopt mine permitting regulations similar to the regulations that have created world-class mining operations here in Alaska.

While some resources may dwindle over time, fisheries, mariculture, and scenic resources will never become scarce if we maintain the integrity our watersheds.

**Downtown
Halloween
Trick-or-Treating**

3-6pm

Monday, October 31st

From the Stikine Inn all the way down to the Bay Company, AML & The Pit Stop. Then head up to the Forest Service and don't forget to visit our friends at KSTK!

POLICY FOR LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

- Letters should be typed or clearly written and no longer than 400 words.
- All letters must be signed by the writer and include a phone number and any affiliation with a group which pertains to the letter.

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City focusing on removing junk vehicles

By DAN RUDY
Sentinel writer

The city is currently working on ways to reduce the number of autos, boats and other items abandoned or else improperly stored around the island.

Chief Doug McCloskey with

the Wrangell Police Department explained there currently are many derelict vehicles on the city's radar, about a dozen in all. In municipal code, junk vehicles by definition are those which are stripped, wrecked or otherwise inoperable due to mechanical failure.

Currently it is against the law for a junk vehicle to remain in public view on any property, public or private, within the borough for more than 10 days. The fine schedule puts a \$50 fine on each offense, with every 10 days that passes considered a separate violation.

The problem is at once aesthetic and a matter of land usage, while also tying into a broader issue Wrangell has been having with a surplus of scrap metals and white goods. Public Works director Amber Al-Haddad explained the prices of scrap iron and other commodities have dropped over the past five years, making such items an expensive prospect to transport for salvage, including old vehicles.

When prices were high, the city had taken advantage of its ability to move unwanted items by lowering the rate for disposal



PHOTO BY DAN RUDY

A disused van sits in the parking lot of Shoemaker Bay Harbor. The city is currently taking steps toward identifying and arranging for the disposal of derelict craft and vehicles around the island.

at the junkyard, and holding annual disposal days where the fee was waved entirely. As the economics shifted and the yard filled up, Al-Haddad said such incentives were no longer appropriate. As a result, the city has not hosted a free dump day in two years.

A workshop held by the City and Borough Assembly on September 26 sought to address

the problem, which has pushed capacity at the waste transfer facility and affected public lots and open spaces. With prices still low and concerns over budget restrictions a priority, there were not many options to consider.

One potentiality Borough Manager Jeff Jabusch brought up to the Assembly at past meetings is an arrangement with Channel Construction in Juneau,

which in the past has brought a barge to the island to offload excess scrap.

Al-Haddad explained another such run may be forthcoming, and that the city may arrange to have Channel load up excess scrap at no cost to the city, in exchange for allowing the company to dock without paying moorage fees. At the moment the

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Murkowski faces Miller in Fairbanks debate

JUNEAU, Alaska (AP) – U.S. Sen. Lisa Murkowski and rival Joe Miller shared the debate stage October 14 for the first time since Miller entered Alaska’s Senate race last month.

They were joined by Democrat Ray Metcalfe and independent Margaret Stock during a candidate forum at the Alaska Federation of Natives convention in Fairbanks, which was broadcast statewide.

Issues raised during the forum included the federal health care law, the potential for changes to the criminal justice system and areas of importance to the Native community that the candidates would impress upon the next administration.

Murkowski and Miller have history: Miller beat Murkowski in the 2010 Republican primary only to watch Murkowski retain her seat with a successful general election write-in campaign.

The Alaska Federation of Natives, the state’s largest Alaska Native group, endorsed Murkowski in her write-in bid and a political group formed by Alaska Native corporations also backed Murkowski’s historic 2010 run.

This time around, leaders of several Alaska Native regional corporations have endorsed Murkowski, her campaign has said.

Miller is running as a Libertarian, joining the ticket as a last-minute substitution last month after Cean Stevens withdrew her candidacy.

Friday’s event was one of two debates or forums in which Murkowski and Miller are both expected to participate. The other is a public media debate scheduled for Nov. 3.

On the issue of health care, Murkowski said the federal law has some good pieces, such as protecting those with pre-existing

conditions and allowing children to remain on their parents’ insurance longer.

But she said unaffordable high premiums and deductibles are a concern for Alaska families and said the law hasn’t reduced the cost of care.

Miller said the health care law did more harm than good.

“The decisions that we make have to be smart,” he said. “They have to be directed toward, for example, market-based solutions where we can.”

Stock said issues she’d flag for a new administration include the need for substantial investments in the Arctic and the impact of climate change on Alaska Native communities.

Later, she talked about the need to protect the earth. Miller said that’s important to him, too.

“But we must extract wealth from the

earth. We need to create jobs and purpose,” which Alaska has the ability to do, Miller said.

Murkowski shied away from the requested yes-or-no response during a rapid-fire round on whether the candidates would support confirmation of a Supreme Court justice during the upcoming lame duck congressional session.

The Senate for months has refused to take up President Barack Obama’s nominee, with Republicans arguing the next president should fill the existing opening. In responding to the question, Murkowski said there needs to be a confirmation process.

Metcalfe said the U.S. needs to get rid of private prisons, and he said people should not lose their right to vote for any reason.

Voting, he said, is a “sacred right that should never be infringed.”

Junk Vehicles

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idea is only informal, and the owner of Channel Construction was unavailable for comment by Tuesday’s press time.

“We’re just kind of standing by,” said Al-Haddad.

For the time being, the city will focus on identifying and having removed items that are in the city’s right-of-way.

“We’ve been tasked to provide the police department with a list of abandoned items,” Al-Haddad said.

Because the locations of derelict boats, vehicles, containers and other items are located in various locations, their removal can fall to different jurisdictions. The Harbor Department, for example, maintains the use of its boatyard and harbor facilities, but not the adjoining parking

lots, which fall under police purview.

On the policing end, when an object is deemed to have overstayed its welcome, ownership is determined and the owner notified. At times establishing an owner can be a complicated process, particularly when vehicles trade hands multiple times without a transfer of title. In those cases, authorities contact the last listed title holder and work with them to arrange removal.

“It’s a bit of a process to take care of this stuff,” said Al-Haddad. Beyond that, vehicles

have to be properly drained of fluids and prepared for processing before they are ready to crush. But then space issues come into play, with options for storage limited by marshy muskeg or else alternate uses for city sites which would otherwise be ideal.

On a timeframe for removal of scrap and other junk items, Jabusch would like to see progress made soon, while the weather is agreeable.

“I think we want to get that done before snow flies, if that’s possible,” he commented.

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Fair entries bring back blue ribbons

By DAN RUDY
Sentinel writer

Exhibits sent in by three local artists returned home with top honors this year.

Terree Pino, Anny Newport and Charity Hommel won a collection of awards for their artwork at the 2016 Southeast Alaska State Fair in Haines this July, which proceeded from there to be shown at the State Fair in Palmer. The exhibits have since migrated back to their origins and a collection of them are on display in the window of Stikine River Gifts and Apparel.

Specializing in photography, Hommel brought back seven ribbons in all from Haines, with one blue ribbon for her work in the Digitally Manipulated Photography category, five second-place ribbons for photos in the Fauna, Flora,

Macrophotography and Landscapes categories, and one third-place winner for Landscapes, Cityscapes and Seascapes.

Newport's submissions included a mermaid doll, which won first place for Sewing - Toys and Dolls at Haines and took the division at Haines. The exhibit went on to take first premium in Palmer. Sewn using hosiery for the face and bosom and with eyes of clay, she explained the doll was of her own unique design.

"I just try to make things that are different," she said.

Her other winning submission was a Doc Martens boot redecorated to look like a fairy tale house. It took first place for the Hobbies and Crafts division, and was also named a judge's choice exhibit.



PHOTO BY DAN RUDY

Exhibits to the Haines and Palmer state fairs from Wrangell artists Anny Newport and Terree Pino are displayed in the window of the Stikine River Gifts and Apparel on Front Street, sporting the ribbons they'd picked up in this year's competitions.

Sending in artwork to the fair since 1984, Newport said she

tries to keep her entries different one year to the next.

"All of my ideas, they've kind of evolved from one thing to another," she said. Though never having gone to the fair in Haines herself, with the exception of one year her articles have been a regular feature, bringing back an assortment of ribbons.

Pino's pieces included an oyster shell painted with one of the area's seaside coves. It brought back a blue ribbon for the Hobbies and Crafts Naturecraft division. The shell she used was found on Prince of Wales Island, unique in that it was two shells which had grown together.

"It made the perfect stand," she said.

Another of her submissions was an oil painting based on a

scene from the Stikine River. "I took photos of the area," Pino explained. "Months later I finally started painting." She said she'd taken some artistic license with the seasons, opting for fall colors instead of spring.

Though for a long time a person with artistic bents, she explained it is only the third year of her working with oils. She joked that her mother had dissuaded her from pursuing painting because she didn't want her daughter to become a starving artist. After Pino's own children had come and grown, she found she had the time to take up the medium. She started with a Bob Ross painting course hosted by Caroline Ottesen, learning "wet on wet" technique.

From the get-go, Pino's paintings brought back prizes from the fair. Her painting of the Elephant's Nose in sunset brought back a blue ribbon in 2014, as did her painting of mountains with the Northern Lights the following year. This year it brought back a first place for the bracket.

"It was just something inside of me that was waiting to come out," she explained. "I never considered myself an artist until I started painting."

This year Wrangell's entries almost missed the fair. Until recent years, the Chamber of Commerce has helped organize the collection and transportation of local artworks. At the moment, Wrangell is the only community on the SE Fair's list which does not have a designated town representative to coordinate exhibits.


"This year they didn't let us know," said Newport. She considered herself fortunate enough to have found someone in Petersburg already headed to Haines to send her work with, and the other artists similarly found their own way to submit them.

"Next year we're hoping to have some better organization," she said. As she does not want to miss an opportunity to represent the town, Newport suggested they may organize a planning committee with other artists for next year.

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Wrangell Wolves take third in Juneau invitational

By DAN RUDY
Sentinel writer

Wrangell's high school wrestling team finished in third overall during the weekend's Pilot Invitational at Thunder Mountain High School in Juneau.

"It was a great tournament," said Wolves coach Jeff Rooney. "Some great competition all around."

Included in the competition were the Colony High School Knights, a 4A team from Palmer. Rooney said the team raised the level of the tournament and challenged his players.

"They did very well," he commented. Of the 12 taken to Juneau, five ended up competing in the finals, with two finishing in first.

Ian Jenson took first in the Varsity 132, opening up with a pin in 1:16 over Christian Batac of Thunder Mountain. He won against Anthony Torres of Colony by fall in 3:05, and in the final round bested Colony's Daniel Colley by majority decision.

In the 170 bracket, Dawson Miller finished in first place after winning one match by forfeiture and beating Simon Ganchenko from Colony High School in an 11-7 decision.

Wrestling in the 98-pound bracket, Jonah Comstock took second place overall. In his first round he pinned Dwight King of Ketchikan in 1:35, and was pinned himself the next round by Colony High School's Austin Edwards in 3:12. Comstock finished his third round with a win over Mt. Edgumbe's Gabriel Klushkan, winning by fall in 3:49.

Sam Armstrong came in second place in the crowded 145 bracket. He advanced with a pair of wins by fall and a third by 5-1 decision before going against Ketchikan's Max Collins in the final. Collins won by 14-8 decision.

Competing in the 182-pound bracket, Darren Shilts finished in second place. After a bye round, he pinned Ketchikan's Gerik Sherrill in 1:02, and was pinned in the final by Chayse Eby from Colony in six minutes.

Caleb Groshong finished the Varsity 220 in third place, coming away with a 3-1 showing. He pinned Tim Williams from Metlakatla in 42 seconds before being relegated to the secondary in his next bout. He went on to finish two more matches with pins, at 0:49 and 2:36.

Elizabeth Johnson and Hannah Brown competed together in the girls' 132 bracket, respectively finishing in third and fourth place. Both won initial matches before moving to the secondary bracket. In the final, Johnson pinned her teammate with a time of 1:46.



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Keeping in time

Young members of the Stikine Strings join Juneau-based group the Rumble Fish during a free showing at the Stikine Inn on Saturday, following the Alaska Day 5K and Half-Marathon. For three years, the annual run raises money for the hospital's cancer care support fund.

In the 113 bracket, J.D. Barratt finished with one win over Royale Lowe from Mt. Edgumbe. Dillon Rooney finished in fourth place in the Varsity 160, coming off with a 2-2 showing.

In the Varsity 152, Sig

Decker and Hunter Wiederspohn competed against a full roster. Finishing up in the secondary bracket, Decker dispatched his classmate by fall in 38 seconds, before coming in fourth behind Thunder

Mountain's Deven Mason by 13-4 decision.

"It went very well," Rooney summed up.

The team will next be heading to Ketchikan this weekend for the Bill Weiss Tournament.

"It's kind of an instrumental

4-A tournament," Rooney commented. The competition will see teams from Bethel and Glenallen, and will include students from Prince of Wales and Petersburg schools, who were unable to make Juneau's invitational.



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Third-party candidate another option for House

By DAN RUDY
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With elections at the state and national levels set for November 8, candidates have been busy making the rounds, meeting with constituents and engaging in public debates on policy directions.

In the race for House District 36, Wrangell voters may already be acquainted with sitting Rep. Dan Ortiz and Republican challenger Bob Sivertsen, both of whom were scheduled to debate in town on Wednesday evening. Interviews with the two have already run in the preceding two issues of the Sentinel.

A third candidate is joining them on the ballot this year, with Ketchikan resident Kenneth Shaw running on the Constitution Party ticket. The party is one of the six designated by the state Division of Elections as political groups, as opposed to officially recognized parties. The threshold for the latter designation is to have received at least three percent of votes cast in the last statewide election.

"In a nutshell it's pretty simple," Shaw explained of his party. "It's what I used to think of the Republican Party 60 years ago. We're a very conservative group that hasn't given on the issues. We believe in the traditional family, right to privacy, defend what's essential to liberty."

A resident of Alaska for the past 14 years, this campaign is Shaw's first time running for public office.



"I don't have a lot of political experience, other than I did work for the Republican Party for a while," he explained. His primary reason for starting a campaign is due to the Legislature's handling of the budget.

"My biggest reason for running is because we're not getting what I consider real representation. I'm not talking about just getting what we can for our district, I'm talking statewide," he explained. "The two big parties – it's all party politics anymore, I think – I think people are being left out."

"I thought it was just time to get in there and get people a better choice. To start trying to build up this party that still has strong values and is willing to stick with it, instead of bending with the wind like what I consider the Republican Party and the Democratic Party to be doing right now."

At a debate held between the

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-Kenneth Shaw

A third candidate for House District 36

local House candidates in Ketchikan last week, Shaw disagreed with their approach to reducing the deficit.

"Both of them are naturally only talking about income taxes now and dipping into the PFD," he said. "They're trying to convince people this is the only way to fix this problem. And I do not agree with that. There is another way to deal with it, and that is a little more stringent, actual cuts to the budget, even if it's total, across the board."

Shaw wasn't able to provide a specific amount, but had some ideas on how to bring state spending into line without the addition of new taxes. On the revenue end, he felt there were already plenty of incentives for oil and gas production, but would be supportive of encouraging mining and timber development opportunities.

"I'd like to see all of our resources used; instead of just worrying about whether oil's

going to come up another \$10 a barrel so we can survive. That's crazy," he said.

"Between a good budget, some across-the-board cuts, and pulling some money from the earnings reserve and inflation-proofing, I believe that would get it under control enough so we can start fine-tuning it. It would give us time to get ahead of the game and move on," said Shaw. "I'm more willing to do something like that than to do an income tax and take people's PFDs."

One of the points of contention in the campaign between the unaffiliated and Republican House candidates is whether representation in the ongoing budget negotiations would be more effective within the House Majority or Minority caucuses. Currently, Ortiz caucuses with the Minority.

If elected, Shaw said he expected to caucus along with

the Republican Majority, as its views fit more closely with that of his own party. Three other candidates are running this year for House seats on the Constitution Party platform, and Shaw hoped gains between them would help better establish the party in the state.

Shaw chairs the party for District 36, and the campaign is largely self-organized. Due to resource constraints, he said he has not yet been able to visit Wrangell, but would like to before the election.

Summarizing his candidacy, Shaw explained: "I don't have outside, practical experience in politics. So I'm at a disadvantage there, I'm not going to argue that point. But aside from a really good understanding from having taught it to my own kids for many years, that's all I really have to work with there," he said. "I've taught so much government and physics, and lived it, and practiced it every day. That's the only real experience, which I think is really good experience. To be able to say that I know enough about what's going on and I see the problems well enough, I think that's going to be really helpful to me."

"I'm really stuck on just the problems that I'm seeing with the budget, and the way it's being handled, and the attitude of the big parties. The fact that they're not willing to discuss any serious cuts, reasonable cuts, worries me," he said. "If they're not willing to do it, I am. I'd love to get in there and show that it can be done."



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Anchorage's first pot shop gives free samples

ANCHORAGE, Alaska (AP) — Anchorage's first recreational marijuana shop is giving away free samples before starting operations under an official license.

KTUU-TV reports marijuana retailers will be stocking shelves in the next weeks with the first batches of marijuana that have been inspected for consumer safety.

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Some ideas for service on Extra Mile Day

By DAN RUDY
Sentinel writer

At this month's monthly meeting, the Borough Assembly approved a resolution dedicating November 1 to be "Extra Mile Day."

An annual proclamation, the designation is meant to encourage community members to "go the extra mile" in personal effort, volunteerism and service. That can manifest itself in many ways, with a number of opportunities coming up this holiday season.

Representing the town's collective churches, the Wrangell Ministerial Association will be holding its 15th annual Thanksgiving Basket distribution on November 20. Each year the drive collects resources in order to provide traditional holiday meals to those who could use them, be they single-parent households, multiple member families, those coping with illness or catastrophe, or individuals.

Costs of the individual meals vary depending on the recipients, but organizers Don and Bonnie Roher anticipate this year the project will distribute \$4,627 worth of food this year. As with other years, the couple collects contributions through the help of WMA churches and individual donations, with the intention of covering the balance themselves to make sure no table goes bare on Thanksgiving.

Any extra items and money then goes forward to support the Salvation Army's annual Christmas Basket drive,

which will start collecting items next month. For those interested in contributing to the Thanksgiving drive or volunteering, contact the Rohers at 305-0319. Likewise, people are invited to nominate others they think might benefit from the program.

Wrangellites have also turned their attention to helping people abroad, with WMA holding its annual Operation Christmas Child drive last weekend. With a target of 187 gift packages in mind but pushing for 200, volunteers with the group turned the Nolan Center's conference hall into a sort of Santa's workshop, filling boxes with an assortment of toys, school supplies, hygiene items and other treats.

Individual sponsors help cover the cost of the boxes, averaging around \$20 to fill and ship. Contributing families this year have been encouraged to enclose letters as well, and Susan Haggard said they were trying to include family pictures for a more personal touch. Boxes filled and wrapped in the long-standing program then get sent to Samaritan's Purse International Relief, which then arranges for their distribution worldwide.

Opportunities to volunteer can be found elsewhere, such as helping to serve meals at the local Senior Center's weekday lunches, or by helping out with the odd chore or spot of maintenance around the facility. At the American Legion Hall, extra sets of hands are always welcome.



PHOTO BY DAN RUDY

Victoria Martin and Marlene Merritt mind the front table during the Wrangell Ministerial Association's annual Operation: Christmas Child box stuffing. Merritt has been a longtime volunteer with the annual program, a tradition spanning beyond a quarter century.

"I'll give them a job and a shovel, or a lawn mower," promised Marilyn Mork, president of the Post Auxiliary. People interested in helping out can give her a call at 874-2189.

Other opportunities to consider can be found outdoors, even something as simple as picking up and disposing of scraps of trash one may encounter in town or on surrounding trails. The United States Forest Service is looking

for people or groups interested in sponsoring some of the Wrangell District's more far-flung cabins. Recreators can also report any incidental maintenance they may have done while staying at a particular site, using forms available at the ranger's office. Being the off-season, the district is looking for additional ideas for programming and other services for the coming summer.

"If people have ideas on how to help, we would love that as well," said USFS interpreter Corree Delabruue. To submit an idea, contact her at the district office at 874-2323.

In supporting Extra Mile Day, Wrangell joins 550 other communities around the country in promoting good citizenship through the Extra Mile America initiative. With a little imagination, the potential to go that extra step is boundless.

PEGGY WILSON SPEAKS OUT ON STATE HOUSE RACE

The race for the House seat representing Ketchikan and Wrangell is heating up! I care for SE, and just had to get involved!

My friends from this neck of the woods have probably seen my name on some campaign ads and mailers on behalf of Southeast Voters for Bob Sivertsen. I would like to explain why I am doing this.

Independent Expenditure (IE) has become an important part of legislative campaign finance in recent years. When I looked at the hundreds of thousands of dollars that left-leaning labor unions are pouring into Ortiz and other legislative races, I decided to do something about it. I decided to form Southeast Voters for Sivertsen as a way of pushing back, even if only a little bit, against this flood of union money.

Two years ago, nobody in Southeast stepped forward and left-leaning groups were allowed to buy the election. Their new trick is to recruit liberal Democrat candidates and run them as "Independents" in an effort to conceal their true colors and fool the voters. Sometimes, this isn't even realized by the candidates themselves.

Ketchikan/Wrangell was the test case for this left-wing strategy in 2014. It worked then with the narrow win of Dan Ortiz. Now, that same trick is being tried all across the state, including the candidacy of AFL-CIO boss Vince Beltrami for state Senate.



Fool me once, shame on you. Fool me twice, shame on me. It is crucial that we make a change this year. The incumbent, Dan Ortiz, is not giving Bert Stedman the help he needs on the House side of the legislature, let alone the part he played in the hold-up of key House actions last session. This is because rather than being a so-called "Independent", he has aligned himself with the Democratic minority. This leaves him politically unable to help us here in Southeast.

The recent closing of the youth detention facility in Ketchikan and the associated loss of 15 state jobs is just the tip of the iceberg.

Here is my pledge to you, Southeast voters. Since I approve all the IE campaign materials, I will make sure that they are factual, fair and appropriate. In direct mail, it is important to have a catchy theme for each piece and we have used some creativity with that. The Showhorse/Workhorse mailer is a good example.

But none of this is meant to put anyone down. Let me be clear Dan Ortiz is a nice enough fellow. But, he is letting himself be used by special interests and consequently, he is concealing his true political alignment from voters. We need to put a stop to such shenanigans.

I hope you join me in supporting Bob Sivertsen. He has the experience, an impressive background, plus the ability to give Sen. Stedman the ally he needs in Juneau.

Peggy Wilson represented SE Alaska in the state House for 14 years.

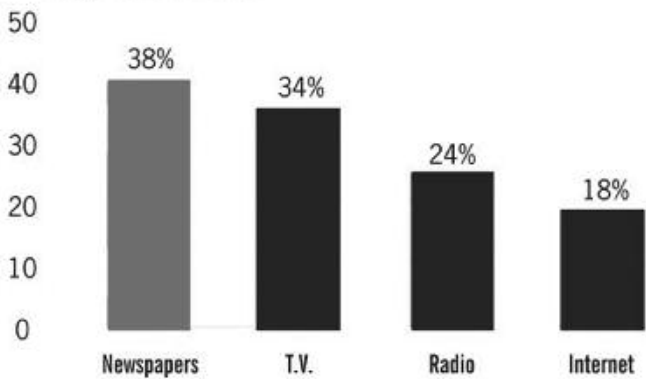
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UAF vice chancellor overcomes racism to find success

FAIRBANKS, Alaska (AP) — Evon Peter pushed his way through hostility and overt racism in Alaska public schools to succeed in academia. He now directs one of the Fairbanks institutions best equipped to expand opportunities in education.

Since 2014, Peter has been vice chancellor of the University of Alaska Fairbanks' College of Rural and Community Development. The college encompasses five rural Alaska campuses as well as the university's Native Studies program.

He was scheduled Oct. 20 to moderate an education panel during the Alaska Federation of

Natives' annual conference at the Carlson Center, reported the Fairbanks Daily News-Miner.

"I think that providing appropriate and adequate education that's responsive to cultural and regional realities is really important," he said.

"When I think about the future of our state, when I think about the future of Alaska Native peoples, there are a few things that are clearly important. Education is absolutely one of them. Health care I'd say is another major piece and a third piece is a sustainable economy."

Peter, 40, is the son of a Gwich'in/Koyukon mother from northeast Alaska and a Jewish father from California.

Peter's mother, Adeline Peter Raboff, grew up in the boarding school era of Alaska education that caused much of the loss of Native language and knowledge that the university's Native studies program now tries to reverse.

Peter was born in Hollywood, California. His family moved back to Alaska when he was 5, and he attended schools in Anchorage, Fairbanks and his mother's hometown of Vashraii K'oo (English name Arctic Village), a town of about 100 people on the southern edge of the Brooks Range.

Along with the Yup'ik area of southwest Alaska, the Gwich'in country in northwest Alaska and Canada's Yukon is

one of the areas where Alaska Native languages are most widely spoken. Gwich'in is a hard language to learn. Despite his childhood in Vashraii K'oo, where Gwich'in was the primary language, Peter doesn't consider himself fluent in the language.

In Vashraii K'oo, school was mostly self-directed. Students between sixth and 12th grade all had one teacher. Peter learned subsistence skills from his maternal grandfather including berry picking, caribou hunting and ice fishing for whitefish.

Peter moved to Anchorage for part of his elementary school education. He describes his education at Anchorage and Fairbanks schools as a series of confrontations with teachers and administrators.

At Denali Elementary School in Anchorage, Peter immediately felt his fourth-grade teacher treated him and other Native students differently. She was quick to find the worst in them and assume they were doing something wrong.

"Me and the other boys in the classroom were acting like all the other kids in the classroom, but her treatment it's hard to explain as a 10 year old, it was crystal clear," he said. "We were definitely at the bottom rung in that classroom."

One day the teacher reprimanded him for coming in from recess late and Peter told the teacher he'd had enough. He told her she was racist, cleaned out his cubby and walked out of the classroom and back home.

His mother helped him pick out a new school, Chugach Optional Elementary, where he had a better experience.

But he ran into more problems at Ryan Junior High School in Fairbanks, where he was told it was standard practice to put students from the villages in developmental classes.

"The practice was I don't know if it's changed now to just automatically stick Native kids,

especially if they just came in from the villages, into the developmental track, which naturally lowers expectations of Native students and gives them a lower-quality education," he said. "Hopefully all of these things are changing with more advocacy, like the Alaska Native Education program that now exists in the school district."

Peter and his mother met with the principal and argued he should be in honors-tier classes. The school agreed to compromise and put him in regular-tier classes.

One day at Ryan, there was a special "Scared Straight" type presentation for Native boys in his class. The boys were taken out of class for the presentation, where a counselor told them that statistically, as Native men, they were more likely to end up in jail or dead by the time they reached the age of 25 than they were to graduate from high school. Peter found the message distressing especially after seeing the negative prediction realized.

"It's one of those things that you never forget. It took me a while to even get my mind around what he was saying to us," he said. "I wish I could say that among the 13 of us that were in there that the statistic didn't hold true, but it did."

Peter was among the dropouts. He left Lathrop High School after one year. He thinks he could have done well academically but didn't feel comfortable in the culture of the high school, he said. At the age of 16, he enrolled in the University of Alaska Fairbanks, where an accommodating admissions employee let him in under the condition that he beat the school average for ACT scores and complete a GED in his first semester. Peter graduated cum laude with a degree in Alaska Native studies and a minor in political science. At 24, he was elected tribal chief of Neetsaii Gwich'in, the tribal government for a region that

spans parts of northeastern Alaska and Canada's Yukon and Northwest Territories.

Peter is an activist for Native issues and action on climate change, including some recent high-profile appearances. In 2014, he appeared in a segment of Comedy Central's "The Daily Show" about the then-pending restoration of the name Denali for North America's tallest mountain. In September he was part of a White House summit of Arctic indigenous leaders, organized following President Barack Obama's 2015 visit to Alaska. He recently helped produce a documentary titled "We Breathe Again" about suicide among Native Alaskans. It is scheduled to debut in early 2017.

At the education panel on Oct. 20, Peter planned to share some progress from Native Alaskans in higher education. In the last few years, the University of Alaska Fairbanks has seen a surge of Alaska Native students pursuing the university's top degree. About 15 Alaska Native students received Ph.D's in the first 98 years of the university's history. Last year alone there were three additional Ph.D's, and as many as seven Alaska Native students could graduate with Ph.D's in May 2017, Peter said.

Many of these students have Native language skills. If the university can build up a critical mass of Yup'ik or Gwich'in speakers, it may one day be able to conduct Alaska Native study degree programs entirely in these languages, including writing dissertation papers and committee meetings.

"We're going to be able to do things that we were challenged to do previously," Peter said. "Those sorts of things are helping us open the doors to new opportunities."

The panelists included Pearl Brower from Ilisagvik College in Barrow, April Counciller from the Alutiiq Museum in Kodiak and Jana Harcharek from North Slope Borough School District.

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Researchers look for more evidence of dinosaurs in Denali Park

FAIRBANKS, Alaska (AP) — This summer's discovery of dinosaur bones in Denali National Park has opened the door for more remains to be found, researchers say.

Paleontologists from the University of Alaska Fairbanks and the National Park Service uncovered the bones during a July expedition. The trip also turned up new dinosaur trackways, fossilized impressions the animals left by walking through mud that later hardened into stone.

Pat Druckenmiller, curator of earth sciences at the University of Alaska Museum of the North, said the discovery marks the beginning of a yearslong effort to locate, document and study fossils in Denali National Park.

"This is a world-class site for tracks of dinosaurs and other animals that lived in Alaska during the Cretaceous Period," Druckenmiller said in a news release from the Fairbanks museum. "Now that we have found bones, we have another way to understand the dinosaurs that lived here 70 million years ago."

The researchers only found four small fragments during their summer expedition, but Druckenmiller said the pieces are evidence of bigger bones from a large animal.

One of the pieces is a fossilized tendon likely from a hadrosaur, a large duck-billed plant-eating dinosaur that was abundant in Alaska during the Cretaceous. Hadrosaurs left behind most of the tracks found in the park, The Fairbanks Daily News-Miner reported.

Paleontologists have been finding dinosaur footprints in Denali National Park for more than a decade. Druckenmiller said there was no record of dinosaurs in the park before 2005, when UAF students discovered the first track in the Cantwell Formation near Igloo Creek. Thousands of other tracks have been found since then.

"Finding these bones opens a new chapter in the story of Denali dinosaurs," Druckenmiller said. "That story is still being written as we find new sites, new kinds of dinosaurs and evidence of their behavior."

Fish Factor

by Laine Welch

A changing climate is altering rain and snowfall patterns that affect the waters Alaska salmon call home, for better or worse. A first of its kind study now details the potential changes for Southeast Alaska, and how people can plan ahead to protect the fish.

One third of Alaska's salmon harvest each year comes from fish produced in the 17,000 miles of streams in the Tongass rainforest. More than 50 species of animals feed on spawning salmon there, and one in 10 jobs is supported by salmon throughout the region.

"Global climate change may become one of the most pressing challenges to Pacific Salmon conservation and management for Southeast Alaska in the 21st Century" begins a report called "Climate Change Sensitivity Index for Pacific Salmon Habitat in Southeast Alaska" by Colin Shanley and David Albert of The Nature Conservancy.

"In general, the global climate models are saying the wetter places in the world are likely to get wetter and the dryer places are going to get dryer," said Shanley, who works as a conservation planner and GIS analyst in Juneau.

"This is not a doom-and-gloom outlook," Shanley stressed. "This is really just getting smarter about how climate change may play out and how it might affect resources that are valuable to us."

Shanley studied nearly a half century's records of 41 water gauge stations at Southeast watersheds to model future projections on how flow patterns might change. He said watersheds fed by snow packs will likely experience the biggest impacts.

"Some of the watersheds that are super steep and fed by snow driven catchments are going to see some of the biggest changes. They might not all be bad, but those are the ones that showed some of the largest changes in flow," he said.

On the other hand, glacial fed waters could provide new and better salmon systems.

"In Southeast, South-central and Prince William Sound there are a lot of glacial fed systems that salmon use and some that salmon haven't colonized yet. As glaciers shrink and melt, there is some opportunity to create new, and in some cases, better habitat," he explained. "Some of those glacial systems are really big rivers, so there are definitely opportunities for some shifts in productivity."

Watersheds that are in good shape should be fairly resilient, Shanley said. For waters adjacent

to roads and culverts that have changed historically, the Conservancy plans to do restoration projects, such as making sure there is adequate drainages and adding trees and stumps.

"The wood slows down the water so that can help with higher water levels, and it also provides pools and shade and protection from predators," Shanley said.

More new research by the Oregon-based Wild Salmon Center (WSC) also provides a glimpse of how a flooded future could hurt salmon in Southeast and other Alaska regions.

Salmon spawn in streams in the fall and eggs develop through the winter, so increased winter flooding could potentially scour their eggs from stream beds and harm the next generations of fish, said WSC science director Matthew Sloat.

In collaboration with the U.S. Forest Service, Sloat modeled the possible flood disturbances on coho, chum and pink salmon spawning habitats in over 800 Southeast watersheds.

They found that as much as 16 percent of the spawning habitat for coho salmon could be lost by the 2080s primarily in narrower, steeper streams. The effects were lower for pink and chum salmon, which spawn almost exclusively in low sloping floodplain streams.

Somewhat surprisingly, the study shows that the overall risk of flood impacts to salmon reproduction in Southeast Alaska appears much lower than previously thought. That's due to the relatively pristine condition of the area's rivers and floodplains, according to Sloat.

"Flood plains act as pressure release valves that can dissipate the energy of large floods," he said. "Our results identify key parts of watersheds that, if protected, will continue to buffer salmon populations from flood disturbance in the future." Find the WSC report online at GlobalChange Biology

Tanner tanks - The popular January Tanner crab fishery has been cancelled for the fourth year in a row at the Westward Region, meaning Kodiak, Chignik and the Alaska Peninsula.

During the last fishery, a fleet of 80 or more small boats took a combined catch of about three million pounds of crab worth several million dollars to the region. But annual surveys showed the numbers of both legal sized males and females don't meet the minimums to allow for a fishery.

US agency acted reasonably to protect seals, court rules

JUNEAU, Alaska (AP) – An appeals court panel has ruled that a federal agency acted reasonably in proposing to list certain populations of bearded seals threatened by the sea ice loss.

The decision by a three-judge panel of the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in San Francisco reverses a lower court ruling that found the decision by the National Marine Fisheries Service was improper.

At issue was whether the fisheries service

can protect species as threatened under the Endangered Species Act when it determines that a currently non-endangered species will lose habitat due to climate change in coming decades.

The appeals court panel ruling issued Monday found the fisheries service's listing decision was reasonable.

It says the fisheries service relied on the best available scientific data and seriously considered comments it received.

"We don't seem to be having a problem making small crab. The problem seems to be getting enough of them to a legal size where we can have a fishery," said Nat Nichols, shellfish manager at the Alaska Dept. of Fish and Game at Kodiak. It takes six to seven years for Tanner crab to reach their mature, two pound size.

Kodiak is seeing slight crab increases, especially at the east and southeast districts, Nichols said, but it's slow going. At Chignik, Tanner crab abundance estimates were the lowest in the survey time series that dates back to 1988. At the Western Peninsula, the stock remains in decline and the bulk of the crab were heavily localized in just two areas of one bay.

Biologists point to a warming ocean and predation as the likely causes of the crab declines.

"We are seeing increases in skates, small halibut, cod and pollock in near shore, so I think it's fair to look at increased predation as a reason why we don't have these small crabs making it to legal size," Nichols said.

Nichols added that he has confidence in the annual surveys, and for several years biologists have gone beyond the standard survey grid, thanks to funding from the Aleutians East Borough.

"The results of those additional tows indicate that there are small bits of crab everywhere you look," Nichols said, "but we haven't found a large portion that indicates we're missing them wholesale."

By the way — Tanner crab is spelled with a capitol T because it is named after discoverer Zera Luther Tanner, commander of the research vessel Albatross which explored Alaska waters in the late 1800s.

The national unemployment rate stood at 5 percent last month.

Alaska's rate has slowly grown throughout the year after starting 2016 with 6.6 percent unemployment.

The last time Alaska's unemployment rate was 6.9 percent was in August 2014.

Alaska unemployment rate inches up to 6.9 percent last month

JUNEAU, Alaska (AP) – Alaska's unemployment rate inched up to 6.9 percent in September, hitting its highest level since the summer of 2014.

The state labor department says last month's preliminary seasonally adjusted rate was up from 6.8 percent in August and 6.5 percent in September 2015.

All Harbor Users

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Alaska Department of Transportation & Public Facilities

NOTICE OF INTENT TO BEGIN ENGINEERING & ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES

WRG Bennett St. & Airport Rd.
Pavement Resurfacing
Project #SFHWY-00067 / Federal #0943026

The Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities (DOT&PF) proposing to construct the Bennett St. & Airport Rd. Pavement Resurfacing project.

The proposed project would

- Rehabilitate and repair approximately 1.35 miles of pavement on Bennett Street from the Beginning of Project (BOP) at the Zimovia Highway Intersection to the End of Project (EOP) at Airport Road.
- Repair and update sidewalk in developed areas to ADA specifications; and as funding allows add a new segment of sidewalk between the local elementary school and Ishiyama Drive along the eastern road shoulders.
- Repair or replace curbs and curb ramps.
- Add new signage and road striping.
- Repair culverts or other items as warranted.

Development of this proposed project would follow a process required by the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). Based on project location and scope of work, the environmental document would be a categorical exclusion (CE).

The project would comply with all applicable authorities including:

- National Historic Preservation Act – Sect. 106
- Alaska Statute 41.35.070 Historic Preservation
- Magnuson Stevens Fishery Conserv & Mgt. Act
- Bald & Gold Eagle Protection Act
- EO-13007 Indian Sacred Sites
- EO-13175 Consult & Coord. w/ Indian Tribal Gov.
- Clean Air & Clean Water Acts
- Endangered Species Act
- Fish & Wildlife Coordination Act
- EO-11988 Flood Plain Mgt.
- EO-13112 Invasive Species
- EO-11990 Protect of Wetlands

Comments on the proposal from interested persons will assist us in preparing the project design and environmental documentation.

Please submit your written comments to:

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If you or someone you represent requires special accommodations in order to respond to this public notice, please call or email the project environmental analyst listed above, or call Alaska Relay and ask the communications assistant to call the project coordinator listed above so arrangements can be made to assist you.

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COMMENTS ARE REQUESTED BY DECEMBER 1, 2016.

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Residents advised to watch out for scams

Wrangell residents are advised to be on the alert for scams by phone or by email.

"There isn't a week goes by where somebody hasn't sent

money off," said Chief Doug McCloskey of the Wrangell Police Department.

One example of a scam which has been prevalent of late has

promised lottery winnings, whereby a person receives a call or email message informing them they have unexpectedly won a sweepstakes or drawing from a

foreign contest, usually Canada or Australia. McCloskey explained the sender asks for a smaller amount than what was supposedly won to cover taxes and shipping

costs. The state Consumer Protection Unit calls this advance fee fraud, one of a number of pitches made to bilk people of money or financial information.

Another classic example is the "4-1-9" or "Nigerian prince" scam, where someone posing as a wealthy or influential official has selected the contacted individual to help transfer a large sum of money to a United States-based account. The person is then asked to submit a transfer fee to help enable the transaction, and is sometimes approached for additional funds when problems arise. It's the latest iteration of a trick which dates back several centuries.

"The premise hasn't changed, but the delivery has," commented McCloskey.

Those suspecting they have received a scam email are invited to forward it to spam@uce.gov, a site maintained by the Federal Trade Commission. If you have lost money to such a scheme, report the loss to the Secret Service's Anchorage field office at 907-271-5148.

McCloskey advised residents not to send money to anyone they have not expressly purchased an item from, and to be wary of requests for financial assistance made online by strangers. A list of other scams and safety tips can be found at the state's CPU site at www.law.alaska.gov/department/civil/consumer/fraud.html.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Preliminary Best Interest Finding and Decision for the Edna Bay Parlay Timber Sale (SSE-1342-K)

State of Alaska
Department of Natural Resources
Division of Forestry
Southern Southeast Area Office

The Alaska Department of Natural Resources, Division of Forestry, gives formal notice under AS 38.05.945 that the Department has issued a revised preliminary decision under AS 38.05.035(e) regarding the proposed sale of the following commercial timber: Edna Bay Parlay Timber Sale (SSE-1342-K). An earlier Final decision for this sale was withdrawn on June 22, 2016.

The Division of Forestry (DOF) is proposing to offer for sale approximately 700 acres of mixed mature second growth and old growth forest composed of western hemlock, Sitka spruce, western red cedar and yellow cedar from state lands near Edna Bay on Kosciusko Island. Of these 700 acres, all but 34 acres are on lands within the Southeast State Forest. The legal description of the sale area is Sections 1 and 2 of Township 69 South, Range 76 East and Sections 31, 32, 33, and 34 of Township 68 South, Range 76 East, Copper River Meridian (CRM). Access to the sale area is by a Log Transfer facility in Section 34 and from existing road systems. The volume to be offered totals approximately 14,000 thousand board feet (MBF). The DOF plans to sell the timber as one large sale under AS 38.05.120 or as a series of smaller sales under AS 38.05.115, AS 38.05.118 and AS 38.05.120 for commercial use.

Before these sales may be held, the Commissioner of the Alaska Department of Natural Resources will issue a written final decision that the sales are in the best interest of the State. This decision will set out the facts and applicable policies upon which the Commissioner bases his determination. The final decision is expected to be available for public review after **November 21, 2016**.

The public is invited to review and comment on the preliminary decision. Copies of the preliminary decision are available for review at the state's public notice web site at <https://aws.state.ak.us/OnlinePublicNotices/Notices/View.aspx?id=183238> along with the DOF's office in Ketchikan, the Ketchikan, Craig, Petersburg and Wrangell public libraries and the Edna Bay Post Office. Comments should be mailed to the Division of Forestry, 2417 Tongass Avenue, Suite 213, Ketchikan, Alaska 99901 or emailed to greg.staunton@alaska.gov. Comments must be received by the Division of Forestry no later than 4:00 PM on **November 18, 2016**, in order to be considered in the final best interest finding and decision. To be eligible to appeal the final decision a person must have provided written comment on this revised preliminary finding by the 4 PM deadline on **November 18, 2016**.

FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO SUBMIT COMMENTS CONTACT:

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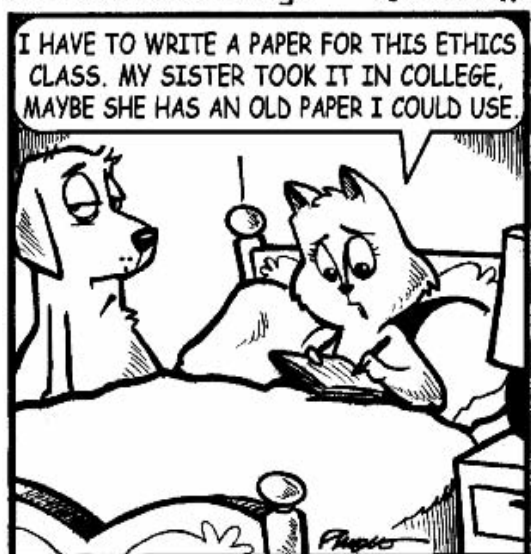
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by Linda Thistle

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DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦♦

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Classified/Legals

BOATS AND MARINE at 874-3129.....tfn2-27b14
IFQ'S AND FISHING PERMITS, Alaskan Quota and Permits, 907-772-4000, 1-888-347-4437.....tfn1-3b15
ONE AND TWO BEDROOM Apartments. No pets. 305-0619.....tfn6-9b8

FOR RENT
PRIME DOWNTOWN COMMERCIAL office space for rent in Kadin Building. Call Shirley
ANNOUNCEMENTS
PIANO TUNER: VIRGIL HALE due into Wrangell Nov. 1. For scheduling call 874-

3749, Taylor's Music.....1x10-27p16
JOB
WRANGELL PUBLIC SCHOOLS is accepting applications for the following position for the 2016-2017 school year: Paraprofessional: This is a part-time instructional aide

position working with students, 3.5 hours per day in small groups and one-on-one in the Special Education Program. An associates degree or equivalent is preferred but not required. For a complete job description and salary schedule, please contact the district office at 874-2347. Applications must be received by: 4:00 PM, Monday, October 31, 2016. It is Wrangell Public School District's policy to not discriminate on the basis of age, race, color, national origin, sex or disability.....1x10-27b97

City & Borough of Wrangell, Alaska
REVISED - PUBLIC NOTICE - City Board and Committee Vacancies

Persons interested in serving on the following City Boards and Committees, please submit your Letter of Interest to the Office of the Borough Clerk, City & Borough of Wrangell, P.O. Box 531, Wrangell, AK 99929.

Deadline for Letters of Interest is **5:00 p.m., Wednesday, November 8, 2016**, for the following vacancies:

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| Planning & Zoning Commission | one - (three year term) |
| Planning & Zoning Commission | one - (unexpired term until October 2017) |
| Parks & Recreation | one - (three year term) |
| Wrangell Convention & Visitors Bureau | two - (three year terms) |
| Economic Development Committee | two - (three year terms) |
| Economic Development Committee | one - (unexpired term until October 2017) |

If you have any questions on the duties and responsibilities for each board and committee, please contact the Borough Clerk's Office at either calling 874-2381 or emailing clerk@wrangell.com or stop by City Hall at 205 Brueger Street.

Kim Lane, MMC, Borough Clerk
 City & Borough of Wrangell, Alaska

Publish: October 20, 27 and November 3, 2016

City & Borough of Wrangell, Alaska
PUBLIC NOTICE

The Port Commission meeting scheduled for November 3, 2016, **has been rescheduled and will now be held on Wednesday, November 9, 2016 and 7:00 p.m.** in the Borough Assembly Chambers. There will be a Workshop before the meeting and will begin at 6:00 p.m. The Workshop will be on the following topic:

1. Mariner's Memorial

Sherri Cowan, Port Secretary
 City & Borough of Wrangell, Alaska

Publish: October 27, 2016

NOTICE

Attention Fishermen using gear floats at Shoemaker Bay and In-town Harbor. **ALL** Gear, Pots, Nets etc need to be removed from gear floats prior to November 15th, 2016.

This includes all gillnets on the storage float off the south end of Reliance Float.

All gear, pots and nets remaining on the floats November 15th, 2016 will be disposed of by the Harbormaster.

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City & Borough of Wrangell, Alaska
PUBLIC NOTICE
Vacancy on the Wrangell Medical Center Board

The City and Borough of Wrangell is accepting letters of interest from citizens who wish to serve on the Board of Directors for the Wrangell Medical Center.

The unexpired term of appointment is unexpired until October 2019.

Any interested person is eligible to apply. Letters of interest should be submitted to:
 Mayor David L. Jack
 PO Box 531
 Wrangell, AK 99929
 or you can email your letter of interest to the Borough Clerk at: clerk@wrangell.com on or before **Tuesday, November 29, 2016, at 5:00 p.m.**

Information on the powers and duties of the Wrangell Medical Center Board are contained in the Board of Directors' Bylaws. A copy of which can be obtained by contacting the Borough Clerk at 205 Brueger Street or email to clerk@wrangell.com.

The City & Borough of Wrangell is an equal opportunity employer.

Kim Lane, MMC
 Borough Clerk

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CITY AND BOROUGH OF WRANGELL, ALASKA
PUBLIC NOTICE

The Southeast Alaska Power Agency (SEAPA) is seeking Letters of Interest to fill the upcoming vacancies to the SEAPA Board of Directors, which consist of:

One (1) voting member and One (1) alternate member for Wrangell

These vacancies are one-year terms from January 1 - December 31, 2017.

Please turn your Letter of Interest into the Borough Clerk's Office, 205 Brueger Street, City & Borough of Wrangell, P.O. Box 531, Wrangell, AK 99929, **on or before 5:00 p.m., Tuesday, November 8, 2016.**

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact the Borough Clerk's Office at 907-874-2381, or email: clerk@wrangell.com

Appointments will be made at the regular Assembly meeting on November 8, 2016.

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City & Borough of Wrangell, Alaska
NOTICE OF JOB OPENING
BOROUGH MANAGER

The City & Borough of Wrangell is accepting employment applications for the position of Borough Manager until November 11, 2016, 5:00 p.m.

Salary Range depending on experience

\$80,184-\$111,093 with excellent benefits

The Borough is looking for a top executive and operations officer, accountable for accomplishing short and long-range business and program objectives. This is an appointed position.

This position typically requires a master's degree in public administration, business, planning, and civil engineering or the equivalent and eight years of progressively responsible municipal experience.

For a complete job description, please contact the Borough Clerk's Office at 907-874-2381 or email: clerk@wrangell.com or visit Borough website: <http://www.wrangell.com/jobs>

Please send a cover letter, detailed resume and references to: City & Borough of Wrangell, P.O. Box 531, Wrangell, AK 99929, or fax: (907) 874-2304 or email: clerk@wrangell.com.

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— **King Crossword** — — **Weekly SUDOKU** —


Answers *Answer*

Solution time: 21 mins.

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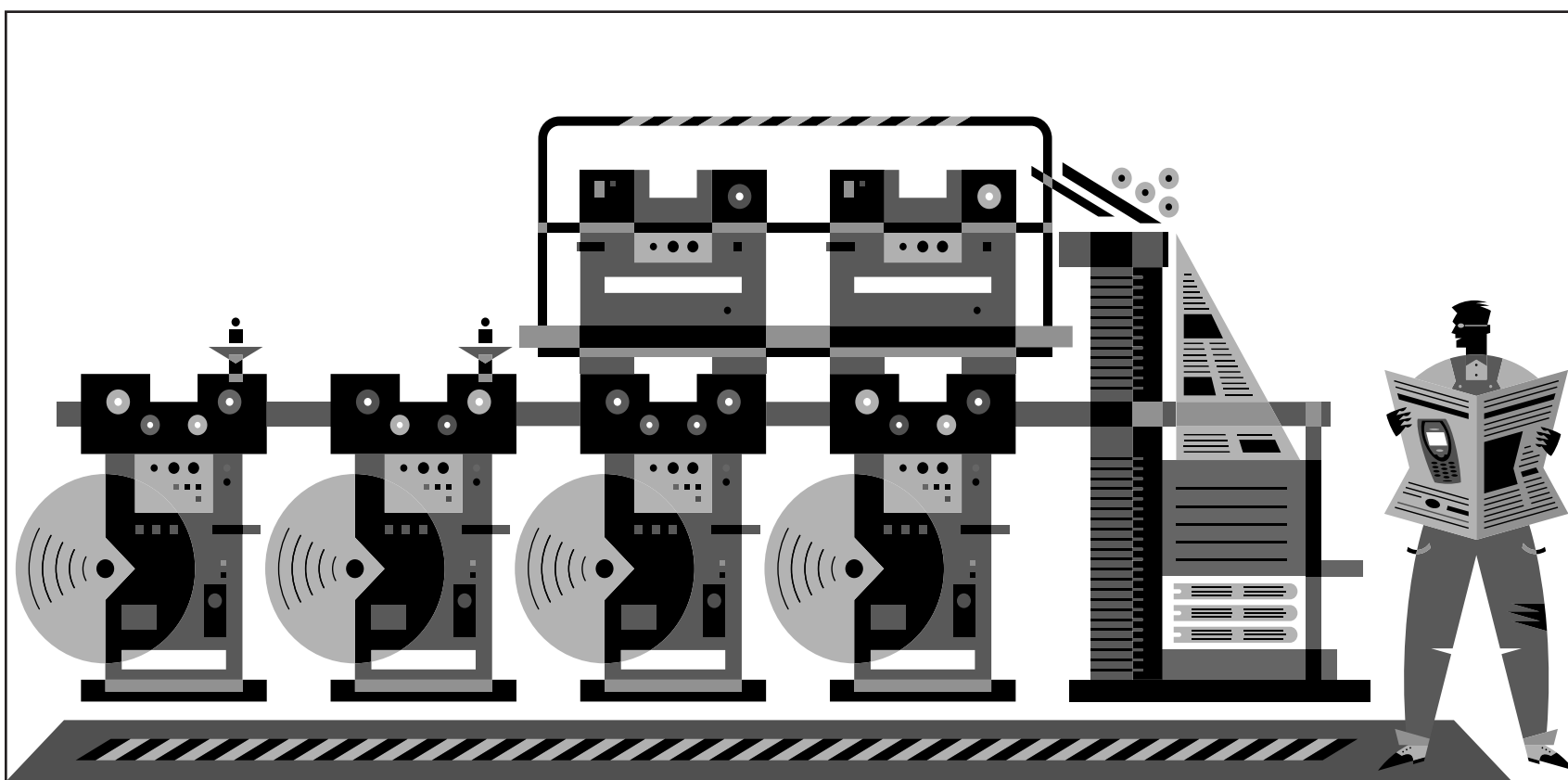
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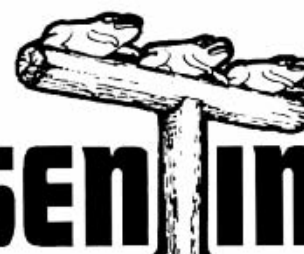




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Around 50 participants start off on Saturday's charitable run, which both celebrated the United States' acquisition of Alaska in 1867 and raised funds for Wrangell Medical Center's cancer care travel fund.



PHOTO BY DAN RUDY

Andrea Laughlin leads a group of runners along Front Street shortly after starting the Alaska Day 5K and Half-Marathon on Saturday morning.

Marathon

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each got an Alaska flag along with their medals and other prizes.

The annual run makes a point of celebrating life in Alaska, from the locally-themed placement medals to the starting line built from crab pots and bearing the state flag. Each year it grows in scope a bit more, with local vendors setting up tables inside the Nolan Center for a late-season community market.

"We're trying to kind of build this event up and build more of a community-wide festival," explained Robinson. "My goal with Alaska Day and with every run is community cooperation. I love bringing people in and getting them involved in the event."

Many hands went into making the event a fun one. Volunteers wearing the state's iconic Xtratuff boots set up the course and manned aid stations. Industrial arts students at the high school helped finalize designs for the alder medallions and used the program's laser cutter to create them. One high school senior helped with the staging as part of her capstone project.

As with other years, the Alaska Day 5K and Half-Marathon also featured music, calling up the Rumble Fish of Juneau to play bluegrass at the Stikine Inn after the race.

"There was a great turnout," Robinson said. "We're so excited that every year we're able to find a band that's willing to come out and play."

At one point they were joined by local string instrumentalists from the Stikine Strings, giving young musicians the chance to play with the seasoned band.

"I just thought that was a really cool opportunity," said Robinson.

The group's next event will be its Thanksgiving-themed Turkey Trot 5K, which will get people out and active the morning of November 24. In past years, proceeds from the run go to support the local food bank.

**RE-ELECT SENATOR
LISA MURKOWSKI**

**PROVEN
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**ON NOV. 8TH VOTE
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