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Katy Taylor ran a rock painting booth during the teen night.

Alaska Sprouts holds first teen night

By CALEB VIERKANT
Sentinel writer

Alaska Sprouts Seeds of Change, the Wrangell organization dedicated to the community's youth, held its first "teen night" last Saturday night. The event was held at the old community gym, starting at 6:30 p.m., and numerous activities were set up for Wrangell teenagers to come participate in. According to Jillian Privett, Alaska Sprouts organizer, the teen night is something she hopes to be fun and educational for participants. Besides having an open gym, and giving teens a place to hang out, there were activities like rock painting, board games, and lots of snacks. A creative writing class was also held by Vivian Faith Prescott, who taught teens about blackout poetry. Another volunteer, Shawna Bunes, made pizzas from scratch for anybody interested in learning some cooking skills.

The next teen night will be held on Oct. 13.

BRAVE to host Family Resilience Fair on Oct. 9

By CALEB VIERKANT
Sentinel writer

BRAVE, the Wrangell organization advocating for stronger community relationships, will be hosting a Family Resilience Fair on Oct. 9 at 6:30 p.m. at the Nolan Center. According to volunteer Maleah Wenzel, the fair is meant to provide Wrangell families with information about what resources are available to them. She added that the event was originally going to be held at the high school commons, but it has outgrown the space and was moved to the Nolan Center.

"Basically the purpose of this is to make sure people in town know what resources they have, make sure families know what resources they have, so when they need help or they simply just want to be connected with the community, they know where to turn," she said. "So pretty much every organization in town, that I thought of at least, that has any sort of family service or family program has been invited."

Wenzel said that about a dozen organizations have agreed to participate in the fair, with more expected. The organizations will provide flyers and information to the public at the fair, and will also provide entertainment such as games and other activities. Food will also be provided at the fair. Some of the organizations Wenzel mentioned include the Wrangell Parks and Recreation Department, Alaska Crossings, SEARHC, the girl scouts, several worship communities, and the school district.

A women's advocate with BRAVE will be visiting from Ketchikan, introducing her at the fair. The women's advocate will be coming to Wrangell on a monthly basis, according to Wenzel. She said that it was important for people in Wrangell, and across Southeast Alaska, to know what kinds of resources they could use. With the isolation of the area, as well as poverty, she said families need as much help as can be provided.

"It's just to make sure people do know they have resources to help, whatever that kind of help may be," Wenzel said. "I feel like there's a lot of things people don't realize exist here."

"Strength of spirit" boys' program to help build community values

By CALEB VIERKANT
Sentinel writer

Maleah Wenzel said that she is not a stranger to Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs). Growing up in Wrangell, she said she had an abusive father and a mother with a drug addiction. Her mother abandoned them when she was 11, and she and her sister left her father when she was 15.

"In terms of adverse childhood experiences, I've got the hands-on experience, I guess you could say," Wenzel said.

Spurred on by these experiences, Wenzel said she has a strong urge to help other children in less than ideal circumstances. She left Alaska to pursue a degree in psychology, with an emphasis on childhood trauma. She recently received some funding from her university to come back to Alaska to volunteer with BRAVE, a group working to better community relationships. She has also written on child abuse and neglect in the Juneau Empire, worked to get more funding for schools from the state legislature, and starting October 15 will be a coach



in a boys' running program to help teach community values among children.

"I found that helping kids who in situations like me is the only thing that I've been passionate about and intellectually curious about at the same time," she said. "This is the one intersect where I've been like, 'Man, I just can't not do this.'"

The running program is called Boys' Run "I Towuu Klatseen," which is Tlingit for "strength of spirit." The 10-week program will meet twice a week, where boys from third through fifth-grade will run and also learn traditional Tlingit

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- Maleah Wenzel

values. The program was originally created by another Southeast Alaska organization, Sitkans Against Family Violence, but now runs in several other places across the region.

"It has two purposes. One, to teach Southeast Alaskan Native values and culture, and two, to teach boys how to be respectful and be a part of the community," Wenzel said.

Wenzel said the program is open to both native and non-native children, but they need to be registered by Oct. 5, which can be turned in at the elementary school office or to Wenzel directly. There is a registration fee of \$100, she said, but there are scholarships available to help cover the cost. The entire program will conclude in December with a 5K and a community service project. The program is very

community-oriented, Wenzel said. She and the other coaches are all people who live and

work in Wrangell, and she added that she has seen lots of community support for the program.

"Only about half of the curriculum is running itself," Wenzel said. "We're going to be doing things like reading the story of the raven stealing the sun, you know, and we're going to be learning things like how to control your emotions and how to recognize your emotions."

Fatal wreck at 6.5 mile

By CALEB VIERKANT
Sentinel writer

On the night of Sept. 19, at approximately 8 p.m., a single vehicle on Zimovia Highway was in an accident near 6.5 mile. According to Chief Doug McCloskey, with the Wrangell Police Department, there were two occupants in the vehicle. The wreck was fatal for one passenger, while the other sustained serious injuries.

"Basically, the car left the road and struck the bluffs out at 6.5 mile," McCloskey said.

He added that the police were still investigating the cause of the accident, but it would appear that the car was speeding at the time of the accident. The injured victim, Jonathan Bates of Wrangell, was reportedly released from the hospital early on Sept. 20. The name of the deceased has not been made public, as McCloskey said they were still attempting to notify the next of kin. He did say that the victim who died was from out of town, so notifying their family could take some time.

Birthdays & Anniversaries

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

Thursday, September 27: Michelle Amundson, Morgan Petticrew, Chris Kuykendall, Kristin Schwerin, Gail Ottesen, Kristin Schwerin, David Wilson II. *Anniversary:* Darren and Emily Wickman, Josh and Tasha Toombs, Willie and Deveril Bloom.

Friday, September 28: Patrick Mayer, Michael Brock, Elmer Mork, Tyler Danison, Bryan Paulsen, Carisa Atkins, Alyssa Bakeberg, Darrel Gross, Allen Rooney. *Anniversary:* Wayne and Kathleen Harding, Jake and Rachel Harris.

Saturday, September 29: Neal Soeteber, Mark Armstrong, Kylee Kvernvik, Matt Nore, Brandy Grina, Daniel Wickman, Jozlyn Privett, David Taylor.

Sunday, September 30: Krystal, Larabee, Rick Churchill, Rachel Coblentz, Trinity Nore, Cami Bakeberg, LeAnn Bryner.

Monday, October 1: Scott Phillips, Fern Seimears, Georgia Lewis, Mark Cummings, Peter Wilson, Victoria Garcia, Dean Bakeberg, Adalyn Angerman.

Tuesday, October 2: Jenny Neyman, Kay Jabusch, Mariah Mork, Rory Prunella, Alana Harrison.

Wednesday, October 3: Jeremy Maxand, Scott Elmer, David Mork.

Thursday, October 4: Eva Roher, Finley Jane Filer, Thane Ellsworth, Bill Privett, Connor Dilg. *Anniversary:* K Rick and Trish Kohrt.

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

Senior Center Menu

Thursday, September 27

Liver & Onions, Tomatoes Rockefeller, Creamy Coleslaw, Buttermilk Rolls

Friday, September 28

Ham & Lima Bean Soup, 1/2 Tomato & Cheese Sandwich, Spinach Salad

Monday, October 1

Moose Chop Suey, Spinach Salad, Rice

Tuesday, October 2

BBQ Beef on a Bun, Potato Salad, Fruit

Wednesday, October 3

Turkey Sandwich, Honey Coleslaw, Chowder

Thursday, October 4

Chicken Enchiladas, Beans, Calico Corn Salad

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

Milk, tea and coffee will be served with meals.

FERRY

Departures

Northbound

Saturday, September 29

Malaspina 5:30 a.m.

Sunday, September 30

Columbia 3:15 p.m.

Tuesday, October 2

Malaspina 8:45 p.m.

Saturday, October 6

Malaspina 6:15 a.m.

Sunday, October 7

Kennicott 8:00 p.m.

Southbound

Thursday, September 27

Malaspina 6:45 p.m.

Monday, October 1

Malaspina 12:30 a.m.

Wednesday, October 3

Columbia 8:45 a.m.

Friday, October 5

Malaspina 11:00 a.m.

Monday, October 8

Malaspina 5:45 a.m.

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



TIDES Sept. 27 - Oct. 4

	High Tides		Low Tides					
	AM	PM	AM	PM				
	Time	Ft	Time	Ft	Time	Ft	Time	Ft
September 27	2:48	16.1	2:57	16.8	8:37	0.4	9:01	-0.5
September 28	3:22	15.5	3:27	16.6	9:09	1.1	9:39	-0.5
September 29	4:01	14.8	4:01	16.3	9:45	2.0	10:22	-0.1
September 30	4:46	13.9	4:42	15.7	10:27	3.0	11:14	0.4
October 1	5:43	12.9	5:37	14.9	11:19	4.1
October 2	7:01	12.2	6:53	14.2	0:17	1.0	12:27	4.9
October 3	8:32	12.4	8:25	14.2	1:33	1.3	1:52	5.2
October 4	9:48	13.5	9:46	15.0	2:55	1.1	3:22	4.4

Wrangell Roundup: Special Events

Friday, September 28

ANA Quarterly Meeting: Carving Shed/Cultural Center, 12 p.m. - 1 p.m. Administration for Native Americans. Lunch and door prizes will be provided. Tribal Citizens encouraged to attend.

Monday, October 1

Wrangell School Board Special Meeting: Evergreen Elementary School Gym, 6:30 p.m. The purpose of this meeting is to take action on a resolution for the Association of Alaska School Boards regarding the paraprofessional shortage. Work session to follow at 6:45 p.m. to discuss the Superintendent Evaluation Tool.

Monday, October 8

Wrangell Community Chorale: High School Music room, 5:15 p.m. Rehearsals for Christmas Concert. All singers welcome. For more information contact Bonnie at bonniede@aptalaska.net

Is the attendance at your meeting or event low? Send information for Roundup to wrgsent@gmail.com or call 874-2301.

Continuing Events

PARKS & REC ACTIVITIES: Mid-day closure: M-F 1:30-3:30 p.m. Closed Sunday

Pool:

Arthritis Foundation Exercise Class:

M-W-F 8:30-9:30 a.m.

Water Aerobics:

M-W-F 10:00-11:00 a.m.

Lap Swim:

M-W-F 6:00-7:30 a.m. MTWThF 11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

TuTh 5:15-6:15 p.m. Sa 11:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

2 Lane Lap Swim:

M-W-F 10:00-11:00 a.m.

Lap/Tot Swim:

MTWThF 11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m. S 11:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Swim Club:

M-F 3:15-5:15 p.m.

Open Swim:

M-W 5:30-7:00 p.m. F 6:30-8:00 p.m. S 1:00-2:00 p.m.

Weight Room: M-Thu 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.

MEETINGS

AA Meetings: Smoked Fish Fri 8 p.m.; at the Episcopal Church Parish Hall, Study Materials provided.

The Way We Were

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

September 26, 1918

Miss Grace Wigg left on the Sophia for Berkeley, California. She was accompanied as far as Seattle by her mother, Mrs. F. Wigg. From Seattle Miss Wigg will travel southward and will enter the school of pharmacy at Berkeley. She will be absent from Wrangell until next July.

September 24, 1943

Chamber of Commerce at its regular luncheon meeting yesterday went on record to support Ketchikan chamber in its plea to get certain restrictions lifted in Southeast Alaska, particularly travel control inside Alaska, mail censorship and liberation of telegraphic communication. Local chamber in addition urged that Ketchikan's resolution be amended to include adjustment of freight rates, insurance rates, dimout regulations and transport of mail to the armed forces. A petition signed by some 20-odd citizens urged the Chamber to take action on the mail situation, asking for a clearance in Alaska for mail to servicemen in Alaska rather than having to send via Seattle. Chamber unanimously went on record to ask Delegate Dimond to introduce a bill in Congress providing for the establishment of an airplane landing field in every incorporated town in Alaska.

September 26, 1968

Wrangell voters Tuesday will elect two city councilmen and a School Board member. Six men are running for two council positions and a School Board member is running unopposed for his post. Polls will be open at the city's two polling places, the Episcopal Church Parish hall and City Li-

brary. Voters register for the election at the polling places just before they cast their ballots. To be eligible to vote, residents must have lived here 30 days, in Alaska a year and be citizens of the United States and be at least 19 years old.

September 30, 1993

Tragedy created it. And today, the Wrangell Search and Rescue squad looks back on a 16-month life that has prevented other tragedies. In the spring of 1967, a group of Wrangellites got together. Approximately 25 residents attended a meeting that formed the search and rescue group. C. V. Henderson was named chairman of the group. Co-chairman was Charles Traylor, an aircraft firm operator. The Rev. Robert Hillyer, a pastor of the Baptist Church, was named secretary, and Ed Moriarity, an accountant, treasurer. All the original officers except Moriarity

are still active. The paperwork is being handled now by Sherry Wilson.

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Wrangell Weather

Date	High	Low
September 17	60	39
September 18	60	42
September 19	60	39
September 20	60	39
September 21	60	39
September 22	55	39
September 23	55	48
September 24	57	51

Daylight Hours

Date	Sunrise	Sunset	Daylight
Sept 27	6:41 am	6:36 pm	11:55h
Sept 28	6:43 am	6:34 pm	11:51h
Sept 29	6:45 am	6:31 pm	11:46h
Sept 30	6:47 am	6:28 pm	11:41h
Oct 01	6:49 am	6:26 pm	11:37h
Oct 02	6:51 am	6:23 pm	11:32h
Oct 03	6:53 am	6:21 pm	11:28h
Oct 04	6:55 am	6:18 pm	11:23h

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Elementary classroom receives grant for breakfast food

By CALEB VIERKANT
Sentinel writer

Breakfast is the most important meal of the day, as the saying goes. At Evergreen Elementary, thanks in part to a grant from the Alaska Native Sisterhood Association, Mikki Angerman's kindergarten class gets to start each day with a meal.

Angerman said she started preparing breakfast for her students last year as a way to help Wrangell families feed their children. She said that she saw a lot of kids come in without having eaten breakfast, either

due to some financial hardships at home or from simply being too rushed in the morning to eat. From 8 to 8:30 a.m. each school day, she said, her kids get to come in and sit down for breakfast before beginning class. The meals are generally low sugar and healthy and have provided other benefits beyond keeping her kids full.

"We come in, we have community," Angerman said. "I have a kid who does dishes, so we learn responsibility and it's just a really nice way to start our day. We get to know the kids, they get to know each

other and just kind of enjoy each other before our academic day starts."

Last year the meals came entirely from donations or were out of pocket. This year, however, she received a \$900 grant from Wrangell nonprofit ANSA for the breakfast program. Angerman said that she's using this money to provide fresh fruits and vegetables for her kids twice a week, at least. Donations for the program from Wrangellites are still always welcome, she added. She said several people who had kids in her class, as well as some who just wanted to help out, have donated food. Anybody interested in donating should bring food to her, she said. She said anyone who wanted to donate food should bring bagels, bread, pancake or muffin mix, eggs, and any other breakfast food they can think of.

Angerman also pointed out that she was not the only one feeding her kids. Evergreen Elementary has a breakfast program, she said, but she started her own program in her classroom because some of her kids wouldn't participate because they didn't know where to go or were shy, or some families did not want to pay the extra cost of the school's breakfast program. Her program, she said, was free save for voluntary donations.

"I'm a really big advocate on kids having time to eat, having time to play, having time to get energy out, I'm a huge voice for that," she said. "I'm hoping that I can start a trend here in the school."

Court report

September 10

Kory Jeska Meissner was found guilty of driving her vehicle into a salmon creek, a class A misdemeanor. She has been fined \$2,000, with \$1,500 suspended, and will be on probation until September of 2019. Her probation for a separate incident has also been extended until December 2018.

September 25

Andrew Aaron Twyford was found guilty of driving with a cancelled/suspended/revoked license. He will pay a fine of \$150. Twyford was also found to hold several unpaid traffic tickets. He will serve 15 days in prison unless the tickets are paid.



PHOTO BY CALEB VIERKANT/ WRANGELL SENTINEL

Guitarist Richard Gilewitz gave a performance at the Nolan Center last Tuesday night. Pictured here, Gilewitz plays with a brand new guitar built by Rob Goldberg of Haines.

Richard Gilewitz performs at Nolan Center

By CALEB VIERKANT
Sentinel writer

Richard Gilewitz has been playing guitar for about 44 years, and has been touring for 34. He said that he has been to 49 states and 14 countries. Last Tuesday night Gilewitz made a visit to Alaska for the second time in his career with a performance at the Nolan Center. The show benefited Bear Fest, who sponsored the event.

"I love Alaska, it's stunning here," Gilewitz said before his performance.

Having travelled extensively, he said that Alaskans reminded him strongly of people living on the South Island of New Zealand. Both groups of people share a strong work ethic and resourcefulness that is unique, he said.

Gilewitz also mentioned that his appreciation for Southeast Alaska came from his new guitar, which made its debut performance that night at the Nolan Center. The guitar was built by Rob Goldberg, in Haines.

Before beginning his show, Gilewitz said he was very fortunate to have the career that he does. He worked for several years in the computer industry before switching to music. The pull of music was too strong to ignore, he said, and that he would have felt like a quitter if he had given it up. He added that super famous performers are one in a million, but for every one of them there are dozens of other musicians making a living playing music.

"Any artists who are working are a success," he said.

The show drew a crowd of all ages, and numerous jokes were laced between songs. Gilewitz left Wrangell the next day to head for a tour in Australia. More about him and his career can be found online at www.richardgilewitz.com.



Allen Rooney

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Police report

September 17, 2018

Agency assist: FS alarm.
Trespass letter: Property returned.

Citizen assist: Vehicle unlock.
Traffic stop: Verbal warning given for faulty equipment, transfer title to their name and update their license to Alaska.

Traffic stop: Verbal warning for faulty equipment.

Citation issued: Andrew Twyford, 19. Driving on a suspended license and failure to provide proof of insurance.

Two summons services.

September 18, 2018
Failure to obey citation issued to Andrew Twyford, 19.

Theft/dog: Dog was returned to owner.

Citizen assist: Vehicle unlock.
Stolen gun/civil matter.

Citation issued: Draven Golding, 19. No proof of insurance.

15 Subpoena services.

September 19, 2018

Dog bite reported.

Citizen assist: Vehicle unlock.

Traffic stop.

Four subpoena services.

September 20, 2018

Traffic complaint: Vehicle blocking traffic.

Four subpoena services.

September 21, 2018

Criminal mischief: Slashed tires reported.

Traffic stop: Verbal warning for driving habits. Failure to stay in line.

Vacation patrol.

Agency assist: Breathalyzer requested for employment.

Found keys: Keys found at safety building parking lot.

Paper service: Child support.

Driving complaint: Unfounded.

September 22, 2018

DVO denial.

Criminal mischief: Graffiti. Dog with porcupine quills.

MVA.

September 23, 2018

Three citizen assist: Vehicle unlock.

Subpoena service.

Citizen assist: Civil.

There were six ambulance calls and one dog complaint this week.

Mya DeLong announces candidacy for borough assembly

By CALEB VIERKANT
Sentinel writer

Another write-in candidate for the Wrangell borough assembly has announced their candidacy for the Oct. 2 election. Mya DeLong said in an email that she was asked to run by several "concerned citizens," and she wants to do her part to see Wrangell grow as a community. This is her first time running for office but she said that she is a local business owner and holds a commercial deckhand fishing license, and therefore has a personal investment in Wrangell's future and nearby natural resources.

"I'm a level-headed decision maker, great listener, and



this is an opportunity to give back to our community," DeLong said.

Economic stability and growth will be her top priority if elected, she said. Construc-

"I'm a level-headed decision maker, great listener, and this is an opportunity to give back to our community."

-Mya DeLong

Write-in candidate for the Wrangell Borough Assembly

tion of a new hospital and keeping people in town are also important to her, and tie into helping the local economy.

"My goals as an Assembly member will be to make in-

formed and educated decisions for residents," she said. "Wrangell's economic prosperity and stability are on the forefront. The hospital project is critical to our future, as is future land use and a balance of

expansion and preservation. Attracting and retaining our citizens and a vibrant, involved citizenship is key to our future."

DeLong said that no matter who residents decide to support, it was very important that everyone participate in the election, stay informed, and get out to vote. Wrangell is in a "pivotal time," she said, and she wants to see that the best decisions are made for the community.

"I've made Wrangell my home and I love where I live," she said. "I am here to serve the people, with Wrangell's immediate and long-term interests at heart."

Letter to the Editor

To the Editor:

Proposition 1 on the City's ballot October 2nd is one of the most important decisions the citizens of Wrangell will make for its future. Currently, Wrangell's hospital and many independent hospitals like it are struggling to stay open because of many reasons. With a yes vote, not only will Wrangell's hospital be more financially viable, it will also lead to a new hospital which is desperately needed. SEARHC has more resources available and based on the success of AICS with their relationship with SEARHC, the hospital should be able to continue to provide quality health care for years to come. The hospital is a huge economic driver in the community and without a hospital here, Wrangell would again take a big step backwards like it did when the mill closed. You have the power to bring this health and economic opportunity to Wrangell and we urge you to vote yes on proposition 1.

Jeff and Kay Jabusch

Stork Report



Ryan Mitchell was born to Mike and Natalya Jabusch on Sept. 2, 2018 at Providence Medical Center in Anchorage, Alaska. He weighed 5 lbs. 8 oz. and was 18" at birth. Ryan joins brother Jimmy and sister Erika. Maternal grandparents are Boris and Olga Segalevich of Anchorage. Paternal grand-

parents are Jeff and Kay Jabusch of Wrangell, Alaska.

City and Borough of Wrangell, Alaska Wrangell Planning and Zoning Commission AMENDED PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

THE WRANGELL PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION WILL HOLD A SPECIAL MEETING ON WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 3, 2018 AT 1:00PM AT CITY HALL. THE FOLLOWING PUBLIC HEARINGS WILL BE HELD AT THE MEETING:

1. A final plat of the W.M.C. Subdivision, the replat of lots 1 and 10, Block 54, Wrangell Townsite, according to Plat No. 68-81, and Tract "B", supplemental plat of Wrangell Townsite, USS 1119, according to Plat No. 68-129, and portion of Lot 1, portion of Lot 2, and Lots 9 and 10, Block 54, Townsite, USS 1119, creating Lot A, Block 54, W.M.C. Subdivision, Wrangell Recording District, First Judicial District, State of Alaska; and requesting vacation of an alleyway and portion of a scenic strip adjacent to these lots within Block 54, zoned Open Space/Public, requested by the City and Borough of Wrangell.

2. A final plat of Health Care Subdivision III, a replat of Lots B-1, B-2 and B-3, Health Care Subdivision II, and Lot A, Health Care Subdivision, creating Lots 1,2,3 and 4, Health Care Subdivision III; and requesting vacation of unused floating easements within these lots, zoned Open Space/Public, requested by the City and Borough of Wrangell.

Supporting materials are on file at City Hall. The full agenda packet will be available online at least two days before the meeting at www.wrangell.com. The meeting is open to the public. Testimony may be made in writing or at the meeting.

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Forest service holds meeting on Roadless Rule

By CALEB VIERKANT
Sentinel writer

In 2001, the U.S. Department of Agriculture issued a nationwide regulation on the management of roadless areas in national forests across the country. The "Roadless Rule," as it's known, generally prohibits timber harvesting and road construction in roadless areas. The rule affects 58.5 million acres of land across the country, based on information provided by the Forest Service. According to Nicole Grewe, with the Forest Service, about 55 percent of the Tongass National Forest is designated as roadless area. The Roadless Rule has been a point of debate in Southeast Alaska for many years, some people seeing it as important for conservation, and others seeing it as a hindrance to economic development.

On Sept. 25 a public meeting was held to get community input on changing the rules.

Grewe went into a little more history of the Roadless Rule in Alaska. In 2003, the USDA exempted the Tongass National Forest from the rule, but in 2011 this exemption was taken away in the federal district court. The state has petitioned the USDA, however, in an effort to provide for rural economic development for communities in the Tongass. With a letter of intent sent on Aug. 30 of this year, the Forest

Service is now tasked with looking into the feasibility of a state-specific Roadless Rule. There is precedent for this, Grewe said, as Idaho and Colorado formed their own state-specific rules in 2008 and 2012, respectively.

"Over the past decade there has been mounting criticism in certain states. Some rural communities, policymakers, and land managers question whether a 'one size fits all' approach to managing Forest Service roadless areas is appropriate for all states and all national forests," Grewe said. "Western states in particular are asking about whether the management of roadless areas could be done in a different way that better supports rural communities while also conserving roadless areas for the future."

This initial look at state-specific rules have a few limitations, she added. The main area of focus is the Tongass National Forest. The Chugach National Forest is currently outside the area of focus. Any proposed "Alaska Roadless Rule" would also not be able to authorize any ground disturbing activities, she said. Grewe added that many Alaskan organizations have come on board for this project such as tribal governments and the state government.

Tim Dabney, with the Alaska Department of Natural Resources, also spoke about a citi-



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Wheelchair ramp

Renovations to the wheelchair ramp at the Wrangell Post Office began Monday, Sept. 24. According to notices by the post office, the ramp will be out of commission until Oct. 1, and they apologize for the inconvenience.

zen's committee that would help create potential Roadless Rules for Alaska. This committee will consist of about 13 people and will represent the varied interests of Southeast Alaskans, from tribal organizations, the fishing industry, timber and mining, tourism, state and local governments, and other interests. This committee will review

public comments and come up with options for an Alaska Roadless Rule.

Grewe said that the proposed rule and a draft environmental impact statement will be prepared by the summer of 2019, and will be finalized by the summer of 2020. After this, the secretary of the USDA will make a final decision on the Roadless Rule.

"Basically, in summary here,

the citizens' advisory committee will be reviewing and discussing relevant information and provide the state with up to three options for a state-specific Roadless Rule," Dabney said.

After the presentation, a question and answer session was held. Many of the questions revolved around how the Roadless Rule affected economic growth and how changes to the rule would change environmental protections for the Tongass, if any. The comment time for the initial scoping period of this project closes on Oct. 15. To leave comments, go online at www.regulations.gov or www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=54511. Comments can also be turned in by mail at Alaska Roadless Rule, P.O. Box 21628, Juneau, AK 99802. For more information visit the Forest Service website.

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OCTOBER 2, 2018

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PUBLIC NOTICE



For the upcoming City and Borough of Wrangell Regular Election of October 2, 2018, the following ordinance applies:

2.16.030 Write-in Candidates and Write-in Votes.

Individuals who fail to file a declaration of candidacy but wish to run for office as a write-in candidate, must file with the borough clerk, a letter of intent no later than five p.m. on the Friday preceding the election (September 28, 2018) in which the candidate plans to participate.

Write-in votes cast for individuals **who do not file a letter of intent will not be counted.**

In order to vote for a write-in candidate, the voter must, in space provided, write in the candidate's name as the candidate's name appears on the letter of intent filed with the borough clerk. In addition, the voter must mark the oval opposite the candidate's name.

Stickers shall not be used.

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

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NOTICE

**FOR ABSENTEE VOTING THAT BEGINS MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2018
DURING BUSINESS HOURS FROM 9:00 AM TO 4:00 PM
MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY AT THE CITY HALL**



FOR THE OCTOBER 2, 2018 REGULAR ELECTION QUALIFIED VOTERS MAY VOTE AN ABSENTEE BALLOT UNTIL 4:00 P.M., Monday, OCTOBER 1, 2018

For those voters who cannot VOTE ABSENTEE IN PERSON, you may submit an application to have your ballot mailed or faxed to you beginning Monday, September 3, 2018, at 9:00 am to 4:00 pm. Please stop by the Borough's Clerks Office to apply.

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

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**CITY AND BOROUGH OF WRANGELL, ALASKA
NOTICE OF REGULAR ELECTION**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on the 2nd day of October 2018, there will be held in the City and Borough of Wrangell, Alaska, a Regular Election for the purpose of voting on the following City Offices and Proposition.

- Mayor: One – (2 Year Term)
- Assembly: Two – (3 Year Terms)
- Port Commission: Two – (3 Year Terms)
- School Board: Two – (3 Year Terms)
- School Board: One – (1 Year *Unexpired* Term until 10-2019)
- Hospital Board: Two – (4 Year Terms)
- Hospital Board: One – (1 Year *Unexpired* Term until 2019)



PROPOSITION NO. 1

Ratification of Ordinance 948

Section 5-14 of the Borough Charter and Section 5.10.035.A of the Wrangell Municipal Code require that any ordinance which provides for "the sale or lease of any Borough property, real or personal, or the sale or lease or other disposal of any interest therein, the value of which property, lease or interest is more than \$1 Million," be ratified by a majority of voters who vote on the question. Ordinance 948, enacted by the Assembly on August 28, 2018, provides authority to the Mayor to enter into an agreement (including a lease and a deed amendment) with Southeast Alaska Regional Health Consortium (SEARHC) to lease the Wrangell Medical Center and operate it for approximately four years and to build a new hospital adjacent to the AICS Clinic, on the AICS Clinic property and adjacent property conveyed to SEARHC by the Borough. The value of the entire transaction is approximately \$1.618 Million. Shall Ordinance 948 be ratified?

Yes

No

The polls for said election will be open at 8:00 a.m. on the said day and will close at 8:00 p.m. on the same day.

Each voter must have the qualifications prescribed by state law. A qualified voter shall vote only once per election and shall exercise that right at the polling place established in the designated Wrangell Precinct (James & Elsie Nolan Museum/Civic Center) and in which he/she resides within the borough boundaries of the City and Borough of Wrangell.

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The City and Borough of Wrangell is recruiting for a Facilities Maintenance Specialist Lead. This is a full-time, benefited position, paid at Grade 23 ranging from \$28.55 - \$36.00 per hour. This position is part of the IBEW collective bargaining agreement.

The Facilities Maintenance Specialist Lead is a supervisory position responsible for the day-to-day maintenance of all Borough-owned facilities. Applicants must meet the qualifications of the position listed in the job description. The full job description and employment application can be found online at www.wrangell.com/jobs.

To be considered, a cover letter, resume, and a completed employment application must be submitted to Aleisha Mollen either by e-mail to amolllen@wrangell.com, in person to City Hall, 205 Brueger St., Wrangell, or by postal mail to PO Box 531, Wrangell, Alaska 99929. Applications will be accepted until end of business October 12, 2018.

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Lisa Von Bargaen

Wrangell Borough Manager

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Puzzle answers from Sept. 20 Edition



Alaska Fish Factor

By LAINE WELCH, Fisheries columnist

Pending bill in U.S. Senate would streamline permitting process for offshore aquaculture projects such as offshore fish farms

Offshore fish farms could soon dot the sea scape along with those oil and gas platforms being proposed for U.S. waters by the Trump Administration.

The fish farms, which would be installed from three to 200 miles out, are being touted as a way to boost seafood production, provide jobs and reduce the nation's \$16 billion trade deficit due to America's importing nearly 90 percent of its seafood favorites.

The U.S. Commerce Department is holding meetings around the country through November to talk about its strategic plan for getting aquaculture off the ground. At a recent session in Juneau, NOAA Director Chris Oliver said that wild harvests simply can't keep up with global demand.

"Aquaculture is going to be where the major increases in seafood production occur whether it happens in foreign countries or in U.S. waters," Oliver said.

"Aquaculture would seem like an ideal industry for the country, since it has the second-largest exclusive enterprise zone in the world - meaning it has proprietary marine resource rights over an area totaling roughly 4.4 million square miles in three oceans, the Caribbean Sea, and the Gulf of Mexico," wrote Seafood Source. However, the U.S. is a bit player in the burgeoning global industry.

In 2015, the U.S. produced just 0.4 percent (426,000 MT) of global aquaculture harvests,

putting it in 18th place and trailing such countries as Ecuador, Malaysia, and North Korea. In contrast, the U.S. ranks No. 1 in the world in poultry and beef production.

The potential is not lost on America's big food producers.

A new trade group called Stronger America Through Seafood has emerged to promote the push to farm the seas. Its backers include Cargill, Pacific Seafood, Red Lobster, High Liner Foods, Sysco and Seattle Fish Company.

"There is no clear framework for allowing offshore aquaculture development, so while the rest of the world is growing and evolving and exploring the open ocean as an opportunity to farm our own fish, the U.S. continues with business as usual," said spokesperson Margaret Henderson. "And as our population and our appetites increase, we become increasingly dependent on foreign production."

The group has come out in support of a bill pending in the U.S. Senate called Advancing the Quality and Understanding of American Aquaculture (AQUAA) Act that would streamline the permitting process for offshore aquaculture projects. The Act says it would create an Office of Marine Aquaculture within NOAA and provide a "one-stop shop" for federal approval of fish farm permits and "to the extent practicable," avoid, minimize, or mitigate adverse impacts to the marine

environment and wild fisheries.

During the Juneau session, Under Secretary of Commerce Timothy Gallaudet cited climate change in his pitch for the fish farms.

"Some of the changes in the environment are affecting fish stocks," he said, "They are either moving or they're not thriving and so aquaculture, done the right way and scientifically based, provides a means for employment of fishermen who are losing some of their gain through these changing conditions."

Sam Rabung, director of the Alaska Dept. of Fish and Game's aquaculture division, respectfully disagreed.

"I think it's safe to say that we're going to fight pretty hard to maintain the state's opt-out option," Rabung said, "and maintain the ability to prohibit finfish farming off of Alaska."

Crab news - It's a mix of good but mostly bad news for Bering Sea crabbers. The results from the summer trawl surveys showed "substantial" drops in numbers of king crab and bairdi Tanners. Conversely, the snow crab stock appears to be on a big rebound.

The news was presented last week in the annual Stock Assessment and Fishery Evaluation Report for the North Pacific Fishery Management Council.

For red king crab, at the eastern portion of the Bering Sea more commonly called Bristol Bay, numbers of mature males dropped more than 40 percent from last year; mature females were down 54 percent. Even worse, the survey continued to show no sign of younger red king crab coming into the fishery.

"We haven't seen recruitment in years," said Bob Foy, director of the NOAA Fisheries lab at Kodiak and leader of the Council's crab plan team.

In the report the team noted

"it feels that the rather unusual environmental conditions in the eastern Bering Sea this year (e.g., elevated bottom temperatures, lack of a cold pool) and the model's poor fit to the 2018 survey data increase the uncertainty associated with this stock and warrant additional precaution."

The red king crab catch last year at Bristol Bay was 6.6 million pounds, a 20 percent drop from 2017.

For Tanner crab, the number of mature females dictates the fate of a fishery and those numbers declined 70 percent in the eastern fishing district, continuing a trend over several years.

The news was better for the west, where male Tanners held steady while females declined 14 percent. Foy also said there was a "substantial amount" of young crab poised to enter that region's Tanner fishery.

"Substantial" also sums up the good news for Bering Sea snow crab. The summer survey showed a 60 percent boost in market sized males and nearly the same for females. The SAFE report said the 2018 survey showed the largest mature male biomass since 1998.

Foy added that the survey "documented one of the largest snow crab recruitment events biologists have ever seen." The snow crab fishery last season produced a 19 million pound catch, the lowest since 2005.

The reaction from fishermen was mostly over "disbelief" in the king crab data, said a veteran Bering Sea crabber and industry advocate who asked not to be named.

"The survey results seem contradictory to what many saw while fishing last year," he added. "Many believe a pre-season pot survey would yield a more accurate assessment of biomass. We respect the process and understand the reasons, but the dynamics of the Bering Sea are changing, and stock assessment methods may be less relevant than they once were."

Bristol Bay booms - It's a record-breaking pay day for Bristol Bay salmon fishermen. The preliminary value of the sockeyes and other salmon they hauled in this summer topped \$280 million, a first in the his-

tory of the fishery, and 242 percent above the 20 year average.

The 2018 Bristol Bay sockeye salmon run of 62.3 million fish was the biggest since 1893 and nearly 70 percent above the 20 year average, according to a summary by the Alaska Dept. of Fish and Game. It also was the fourth consecutive year that sockeye runs topped 50 million fish.

In terms of catch, a harvest of 41.3 million red salmon was the second largest on record, after the 45.4 million fish taken in 1995.

Symphony seafood surprises - The call is out for new Alaska products to compete at the 26th annual Symphony of Seafood in Seattle and Juneau.

"Looking back over the years it is striking how new product development techniques and possibilities have increased seafood investments. It's really heartening because that drives value and prices and continues to keep Alaska seafood relevant to consumers," said Julie Decker, director of the Alaska Fisheries Development Foundation, host of the event.

The Symphony provides a level playing field where new products from small 'mom and pops' can compete on a level playing field with majors like Trident and Ocean Beauty. Products are judged by an expert panel in four categories: Retail, Food Service, Beyond the Egg (roe products) and Beyond the Plate.

"There are so many things being produced around the state, from kelp beer to pet treats, to things that are not edible ...cosmetics, fish skins, things from crab shells - if it has Alaska seafood in it, it's eligible for Beyond the Plate," Decker said.

Symphony goers can see and taste the new products and vote for their favorites during Pacific Marine Expo (Nov.18 - 20), where the top winners will be announced. All others will be kept under wraps until the Symphony again moves to Juneau in February for another bash. That's where second and third place and the grand prize winner will be revealed.

The winning products get more exposure with a free trip and booth space at the big Seafood Expo North America event in Boston in March.

"It's a fun side of the industry where we all come together and celebrate the work that goes into developing these products, and the entire supply chain from when the fish is caught to selling it to customers at grocery stores," Decker said.

Last year's top winner was Alaskan Leader Seafoods for its Wild Caught Cod with Lemon Herb Butter and its Cod Crunchies Pet Treats.

Product entries and sponsors can sign up through October 19 at the Alaska Symphony of Seafood website.

CITY & BOROUGH OF WRANGELL PUBLIC NOTICE

The Canvass Board will meet on **Thursday, October 4, 2018 at 12:30 p.m., in the Borough Assembly Chambers** to canvass the results of the Regular Election held on October 2, 2018.

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

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PUBLIC NOTICE Vacancies on City Boards and Committees City and Borough of Wrangell

The City and Borough of Wrangell is accepting *letters of interest* from citizens who may wish to serve on the following City Boards and Committees:

Planning & Zoning Commission	two (2) three-year terms
Parks & Recreation Advisory Board	two (2) three-year terms
Wrangell Convention & Visitors Bureau	one (1) three-year term
Economic Development Committee	one (1) three-year term

Deadline for Letters of Interest is: **Wednesday, October 3, 2018 at 4:00 p.m.** You can drop off your Letter of Interest to at City Hall, 205 Bruger Street or mail it to:

Mayor David L. Jack
P.O. Box 531
Wrangell, AK 99929

Or email your *letter of interest* to the Borough Clerk at: clerk@wrangell.com.

A copy of the code chapter for any of the above boards and commissions can be obtained by contacting the Borough Clerk's Office or viewed at the City's website at www.wrangell.com

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Assembly discusses “Stand With Salmon” ballot measure

By CALEB VIERKANT
Sentinel writer

The Wrangell Borough Assembly met Tuesday night to discuss Ballot Measure 1, better known as the “Stand With Salmon” measure. This state measure is on the ballot in Alaska this year, and could have a large effect on Wrangell, as well as many other communities across the state. In short, the measure proposes new requirements and a new permit process for any projects affecting bodies of water related to salmon or other anadromous fish.

The aim of this measure is to better protect salmon and their environment. However, there were concerns among members of the assembly that there could be adverse effects on Wrangell’s development as a city. Steve Prysunka said that he was very concerned with the ballot measure, saying that it could make even simple water projects like installing a culvert an overly long and complicated process. Other members of the assembly agreed, saying that the measure could hurt development projects in Wrangell, as well as increase the cost of living. The general consensus, after discussion, was that the assembly opposed Ballot Measure 1. As this was only a discussion item, no further action was taken.

The assembly approved three resolutions during their meeting.

Three assembly members were designated to canvass the results of the upcoming Oct. 2 election. The three members will be Rolland Howell, Julie Decker, and Patty Gilbert.

They also approved of a resolution supporting the Alaska Salmon Hatchery program.

The assembly renewed the line of credit agreement between Wrangell and the



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Bob Robbins, Travis Bangs, Caroline Bangs, and Mike Ward.

Bobs’ IGA to be under new management

By CALEB VIERKANT
Sentinel writer

Bob Robbins managed Wrangell’s IGA store for 11 years before taking ownership in 2000. Now, this year, the store will come under new ownership.

Mike Ward said that he and Robbins have been in talks of buying the grocery store for some time, but that there was finally some light at the end of the tunnel.

“We’ve gone from the speed of lawyer to the speed of bank,” Robbins said with a laugh.

Robbins added that, tentatively, the transition will take place this winter. He did not mention any future plans, saying he did not have any yet. He said that he would probably

have that figured out come Thanksgiving.

Ward is a lifelong Alaskan, who runs Hauser’s IGA in Haines. He said that he had been looking to expand business when he heard Bobs’ IGA was up for sale. Along with Ward, Travis Bangs and Caroline Bangs will be partners and the “face” of the business in Wrangell.

“We’re going to continue doing the hometown things that Bobs’ IGA has been doing, you know, keep turning out the good customer service, and the deli and the meat, and all the things that they’ve been doing well,” Ward said. “And we’ll try to improve in some other areas, and focus on satisfying customers and taking care of business.”

Wrangell Medical Center as well.

Other items covered in the meeting include public hearings on the vacation of various lots and unused floating easements,

a presentation from SEAPA, and approval to dispose of city surplus property. There will be a special assembly meeting on Oct. 4, at 5:30 p.m., to certify the Oct. 2 election.

WMC board holds annual review

By CALEB VIERKANT
Sentinel writer

The Wrangell Medical Center Board of Directors met Wednesday night, Sept. 19, for their annual review of the medical center. The review covered a wide variety of topics, such as the medical center’s 2018 strategic goals. The three main goals were divided into the categories of cash flow, recruitment and retention, and the new facility.

CEO Robert Rang said that the medical center has had cash flow issues since before he came on-board. However, he said thanks to work with the billing department that the time between “patient interaction” and when the bill is sent out has been lowered to an average of five days. Getting insurance companies to pay is another story, he said, but sending out the bills within the industry standard timeframe is a good step in the right direction.

Recruitment and retention of employees is another area the medical center has sought to improve upon. Rang said that this has always been an ongoing issue, but they have been working to ensure they are offering marketable wages that line up with other facilities in the state. He added that they have been working with some recruitment firms, and have also advertised themselves heavily online. Maintaining a positive culture within existing staff is something Rang said is very important to him, and said they send out employee engagement surveys annually to see how they can make the Wrangell Medical Center a better place to work.

The new hospital is a project that has taken up a lot of time and attention on the part of the board

of directors, as well as with many other groups within the Wrangell community. Rang said that there was some light at the end of the tunnel, however, with the recent update on the status of the project by Wold Architects. On Oct. 2, the people of Wrangell will vote on a proposition to allow the lease of the old medical center and construction of the new one.

Several other topics were also covered, such as the purchase of new equipment, new technologies being used by the medical center, the number of beds available in the hospital, and how the services the hospital provides are being used. According to the review, Long Term Care occupancy has decreased since last year, and so have the number of ER visits. The amount of people using the ambulance has increased, however. Participation in the annual health fair and number of medical tests taken at the fair have increased by nine percent and twenty percent, respectively, since last year.

Trudy Johnson aired some concerns during the persons to be heard portion of the meetings. She requested that the board look into some type of “adult day care” for the elderly members of the community. Johnson said that she knew there were no planned layoffs with the coming SEARHC takeover of the medical center while the new hospital is being built, but she asked the board to especially encourage WMC staff members Shelly Massin, Diana Nore, and Katrina Ottesen be kept on. Johnson also asked that the board try to find ways to improve the scheduling of physical therapy. She said that her sister recently had knee surgery, and scheduling physical therapy for her was a difficult process.

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