

New generator moved into power plant

By CALEB VIERKANT
Sentinel writer

The Wrangell Municipal Light & Power Department spent most of their day last Thursday, Sept. 19, moving one of their new generators into the power plant. Wrangell recently purchased two generators from the city of Nome to reinforce the department's power generation capabilities.

Rod Rhoades, director, said that all of the city's generators are basically the "plan B" for emergency power. Wrangell's power needs sit between 8-9 megawatts, he said. The borough typically draws its power from Tye Lake, as part of the Southeast Alaska Power Agency. Diesel generator runs have become necessary in recent months, however, due to drought conditions.

The four generators Rhoades's department owned previously could meet that demand, but that expecting them to work 100 percent of the time at 100 percent capacity was not a comfortable position to be in. Should one generator fail, that would require rolling blackouts through town. The new generator, weighing 80,000 pounds, will provide an additional 2.5 megawatts of power whenever needed.

The second generator purchased from Nome can make 1.5 megawatts of power, he said. This will be kept in a separate container as a mobile unit that can be moved from place to place around town. It is the backup plan to their backup plan, Rhoades said.

The Nome generator will be fully installed in the coming weeks, he said.



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One of the two new generators Wrangell recently purchased from the city of Nome was moved into its new home at Municipal Light & Power last Thursday, Sept. 19. According to Light & Power Director Rod Rhoades, this generator weighs 80,000 pounds and is capable of generating 2.5 megawatts of power.

Assembly considers joining tax authority, discusses overpaid property tax refund

By CALEB VIERKANT
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The Wrangell Borough Assembly held a work session on top of their regular meeting Tuesday, Sept. 24. The work session was to discuss the Alaska Municipal Sales Tax Authority, a statewide entity that the Alaska Municipal League is currently working to organize. The tax authority is meant to act as the "clearinghouse" for tax collection from remote retailers, according to the agenda packet. For towns like Wrangell, only large online retailers like Amazon meet certain thresholds to collect and remit local sales taxes. Aleisha Mollen, who is on the committee for this project, said that this threshold is \$100,000 in sales or 100 sales. With a statewide tax authority like the one being put together, online retail business would be measured on a state level instead of a local level, meaning thresholds would be measured across the state and not in just local municipalities. Mollen said that Wrangell is potentially looking at an additional \$320,000 in sales tax revenue.

What would be required from Wrangell, the agenda packet reads, is the adoption of various resolutions into the code of ordinances, according to Mollen. The current sales tax code would re-

main the same for local businesses. The Alaska Municipal League hopes to have at least seven municipalities ready to sign a compact to create the tax authority at their annual meeting on Nov. 21. There would be some fees involved in joining the tax authority, Mollen said. The AML would charge \$1,200 a year, then a company they are contracting with would also take approximately 7.5 percent of the city's online sales tax revenue.

As this was a discussion item, no action was taken. However, Mayor Steve Prysunka voiced some reluctance to the idea, wondering if a 7.5 percent fee was worth whatever extra revenue could be made from smaller retailers, or if just taking the money from Amazon and not paying any fee on that was enough. Other members of the assembly pointed out that \$320,000 was a lot of money to potentially just leave on the table, fees or no. Mollen added there would be no contracts to stay in the tax authority for any length of time, and Wrangell could leave at any point if it decided to join.

Moving on to the regular meeting, one of the first items the assembly covered was a motion to refund Wrangell residents

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COURTESY OF KASSEE SCHLOTZHAUER

One-month-old Sabina Schlotzhauer is the newest member of the Schlotzhauer family and resident of Wrangell. Over \$1,000 was raised for Sabina early this week to help her family while she deals with medical issues through a promotion at J&W's and a GoFundMe page.

Wrangell supports its newest resident

By CALEB VIERKANT
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Sabina Schlotzhauer, at one month old, is one of Wrangell's newest residents. Born to Kasee and Curtis Schlotzhauer, Sabina is facing some medical issues. Kasee said in a Facebook message that Sabina suffers from HIE, or Hypoxic-ischemic Encephalopathy. According to the HIE Help Center, it is a form of brain damage that can occur in newborns when there is a shortage of oxygen in the bloodstream and a shortage of blood flow to the brain. There are a wide range of causes for HIE, according to the website, and some of its symptoms include breathing problems, feeding problems, and altered levels of consciousness. According to their website, HIE occurs in between 2 to 9 of 1,000 live births.

"HIE is a type of birth injury; this is a broad term used to refer to any harm that a baby experiences at or near the time of birth," their website reads. "Other terms used for HIE include birth asphyxia, perinatal asphyxia, and neonatal encephalopathy."

Fortunately for the Schlotzhauer family, they are not struggling alone. Wrangell has turned out to support them financially. J&W's Fast Foods held a special promotion on Monday, Sept. 23, to raise funds for the Schlotzhauers. According to a Facebook post on their page, all proceeds from sales on Monday, tips included, will be given to the family to help cover the costs of travel, missed work, and basic living expenses. They raised just under \$1,000, according to their Facebook page.

As of Tuesday morning, Sept. 24, a GoFundMe page for the Schlotzhauer family also raised an additional \$400.

"We are just so thankful and lucky that we moved to this town," Kasee said. "It has repeatedly surprised us with how kind and helpful this whole town is. I truly feel blessed to live here and call Wrangell home."

To learn more about HIE, visit www.hiehelpcenter.org. The GoFundMe page can be found at www.gofundme.com under "Schlotzhauer Family Benefit."

Birthdays & Anniversaries

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

Thursday, September 26: Thomas Mathis, Jr., Calen Young, Dick Edgley. **Friday, September 27:** Chris Kuykendall, David Wilson II, Michelle Amundson, Gail Ottesen, Kristin Schwerin, Morgan Petticrew. **Anniversary:** Darren & Emily Wickman, Josh & Tasha Toombs, Willie & Deveril Bloom. **Saturday, September 28:** Elmer Mork, Allen Rooney, Tyler Danison, Michael Brock, Patrick Mayer, Bryan Paulsen, Carisa Atkins, Darrel Gross. **Anniversary:** Wayne & Kathleen Harding, Jake & Rachel Harris. **Sunday, September 29:** Jozlyn Privett, David Taylor, Kylee Kvernvik, Brandy Grina, Matt Nore, Mark Armstrong, Neal Soeteber. **Monday, September 30:** Krystal Larabee, Rick Churchill, Rachel Coblentz, Trinity Nore, Cami Bakeberg, LeAnn Bryner. **Tuesday, October 1:** Mark Cummings, Scott Phillips, Fern Seimears, Peter Wilson, Victoria Garcia, Gerogia Lewis, Dean Bakeberg, Adalyn Angerman. **Wednesday, October 2:** Mariah Mork, Tristan Botsford, Alana Harrison, Rory Prunella, Kay Jabusch, Jenny Neyman. **Thursday, October 3:** Jeremy Maxand, David Mork.

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 26

Liver and Onions, Tomatoes Rockefeller, Creamy Cole Slaw, Buttermilk Rolls,

Friday, September 27

Baked White Fish, Peas and Carrots, Honey Orange Salad, Oatmeal Muffins

October Senior Menu not available

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 28

Malaspina 09:00 a.m.

Sunday, September 29

Columbia 01:45 p.m.

Wednesday, October 02

Malaspina 10:45 a.m.

Saturday, October 05

Malaspina 04:30 a.m.

Friday, October 11

Malaspina 07:15 p.m.

Southbound

Friday, September 27

Malaspina 01:45 a.m.

Monday, September 30

Malaspina 04:15 a.m.

Wednesday, October 02

Columbia 04:45 a.m.

Friday, October 4

Malaspina 11:45 a.m.

Monday, October 7

Malaspina 03:45 a.m.

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



TIDES Sept 26 - Oct. 3

High Tides

Low Tides

	AM		PM		AM		PM	
	Time	Ft	Time	Ft	Time	Ft	Time	Ft
September 26	11:56	16.1	5:28	-1.1	5:46	1.3
September 27	0:00	17.7	12:40	17.6	6:16	-2.1	6:35	-0.5
September 28	0:50	18.6	1:21	18.6	6:59	-2.6	7:20	-1.9
September 29	1:38	18.9	2:01	19.2	7:40	-2.5	8:04	-2.7
September 30	2:24	18.6	2:40	19.3	8:20	-1.8	8:48	-2.8
October 01	3:10	17.8	3:20	18.8	9:00	-0.6	9:32	-2.4
October 02	3:57	16.5	4:01	17.8	9:40	0.9	10:19	-1.4
October 03	4:46	14.9	4:44	16.5	10:24	2.6	11:10	-0.1

Wrangell Roundup: Special Events

Saturday, September 28

Migrant Education Recruiter: Family Resilience Fair, 12:00 pm- 2:00 pm

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:

North Star Group Meeting, St. Philip's Church. Tuesday: 7 p.m., Thursday: 8 p.m., Friday: 8 p.m.

The Way We Were

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

September 25, 1919

At the meeting of Alaska Labor Union No. 10 to be held Saturday night delegates will be elected to the first territorial convention of the Alaska Labor Union, which will convene in Juneau Oct. 10. At present there is no territorial organization of the Union. The first chapter was organized at Anchorage there years ago, and that local has taken the lead in the affairs of the union. The officers of the Wrangell local are particularly desirous that there be as large an attendance as possible Saturday night in order that all may have a voice in the selection of delegates.

September 22, 1944

Tommy Maxand, 10 years old, had a narrow escape last Sunday when he fell into the bay off a local dock. Tommy was sitting on his bicycle on the edge of the pier when he suddenly lost his balance and plunged over the side, still astride the bike when he hit the water. He swam to the Anny Tuck which was moored nearby and was pulled aboard.

Even his bicycle was fished out of the depths and restored to him. Tommy is one of the Sentinel sellers and the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Maxand. Fortunately he suffered no ill effects from the accident.

September 25, 1969

Robert Beardsley, commissioner of highways, met Friday with local member of the Chamber of Commerce to determine the needs of the local community insofar as highways are concerned. Beardsley said it would be 1972 or 1973 before the oil revenue would filter down to the people as far as highways are concerned. Beardsley indicated he thought the existing

highway to the airport was in need of repair, Mrs. Eastaugh reported.

September 29, 1994

Store owners Bryant Benjamin and Ben Curtis kicked off a food drive with several churches in town with a goal of 600 cases of food by Christmas. Benjamin's Supermarket and City Market, Inc. will offer any customer a 10 percent discount on case lots to be donated to the drive. Feeling the mill closure could create serious problems for some laid off workers this winter, the project was originated by the Salvation Army and First Presbyterian Church.



Wrangell Weather

Date	High	Low
Sep. 16	57	50
Sep. 17	59	49
Sep. 18	55	46
Sep. 19	57	54
Sep. 20	58	54
Sep. 21	59	52
Sep. 22	56	49
Sep. 23	55	48



Daylight Hours

Date	Sunrise	Sunset	Daylight
Sept 26	6:39a	6:39p	12:00h
Sept 27	6:41a	6:36p	11:55h
Sept 28	6:43a	6:34p	11:51h
Sept 29	6:45a	6:31p	11:46h
Sept 30	6:47a	6:28p	11:41h
Oct. 01	6:49a	6:26p	11:37h
Oct. 02	6:51a	6:23p	11:32h
Oct. 03	6:53a	6:21p	11:28h



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Meet the Candidates:



The City and Borough Assembly: Three Year Term

JULIE DECKER

is seeking re-election to the Wrangell Borough Assembly for a three-year term. There are several reasons she wants to sit for another term on the assembly. The current borough assembly has been making some good decisions on behalf of the city, she said, and she would like to see that continue. As a member of the assembly, she said that

she has tried to stay informed and lead in a way that benefits the city as a whole. She added that the current assembly is comprised of people with a diverse range of perspectives, and she has tried her best to find common ground where everyone can come to an agreement. There are also a number of projects underway that she would like to see through to their completion. This

includes renovation of the old Institute property, the old mill site, and several other properties owned by the borough. Her other priorities would include repairing the city's aging infrastructure and dealing with ongoing budget issues, she said.

"I hope that I bring a 'middle of the road' perspective to the assembly," Decker said.

Court report

Aug. 22: Aaron Young appeared at a felony first hearing, charged with driving under the influence and refusing a chemical test. A preliminary hearing was scheduled for Aug. 30. He was released on a \$5,000 appearance bond, \$5,000 performance bond, and is not allowed to possess or consume alcohol.

Aug. 30: Dylan Franks was arraigned on charges of violating conditions of release. He was released on a \$1,000 cash performance bond and is not allowed to leave Wrangell. A calendar call was scheduled for Sept. 17.

Sept. 3: Theodosia James was arraigned on charges of theft and violating conditions of release. As part of her conditions of release, she is not allowed to go to City Market. A calendar call was scheduled for Sept. 17.

Aaron Young was arraigned on charges of driving under the influence and refusing a chemical test. An omnibus hearing was scheduled for Sept. 23, a calendar call for Nov. 19, and a trial for Nov. 26.

Ismael Morales was arraigned on charges of burglary, theft, criminal trespass, criminal mischief, and vehicle theft. An omnibus hearing was scheduled for Sept. 23, a calendar call for Nov. 19, and a trial for Nov. 26.

An adjudication hearing was held for Richard Anderson, charged with a probation/parole violation. His probation was revoked, and he was ordered not to drink or patronize bars. He was also ordered to pay a correctional facility surcharge of \$100.

Sept. 4: Charles Teal was arraigned on charges of a salmon fishing violation. The defendant

was not present, and was given a default judgment fine of \$3,000 plus a \$20 police training surcharge.

Sept. 5: Judge Kevin Miller issued final judgment in the case Daniel Newport vs. Adrienne McLaughlin. Miller ordered that Newport shall recover from McLaughlin a total of \$1,230, plus a 6 percent post-judgment interest rate.

Sept. 9: Cooper Seimears was arraigned on charges of assault and violating conditions of release. He was released on a \$500 performance bond. A calendar call was scheduled for Sept. 17.

Sept. 12: Cooper Seimears was arraigned on charges of assault, criminal trespass, and violating conditions of release. He was released on a \$3,000 performance bond, must contact the police for fingerprinting, must wear electronic monitoring, and will submit to substance/alcohol testing. A calendar call was scheduled for Sept. 17.

Sept. 13: Cooper Seimears was arraigned on charges of assault. He was released on a \$1,000 performance bond, must contact the police for fingerprinting, must wear electronic monitoring, and will submit to substance/alcohol testing. A calendar call was scheduled for Sept. 17.

Sept. 17: A calendar call was held for Richard Phillips, charged with driving under the influence, failing to stop, criminal mischief, and violating conditions of release. A calendar call was rescheduled for Jan. 21, 2020, with a trial on Jan. 28, 2020.

A calendar call was held for Rebecca Bliss, charged with as-

sault. The calendar call was rescheduled for Jan. 21, 2020, with a trial on Jan. 28, 2020.

A calendar call was held for Dusty Cowan, charged with online enticement of a minor and distributing indecent material to minors. The calendar call was rescheduled for Jan. 21, 2020, with a trial on Jan. 28, 2020.

A calendar call was held for Dylan Franks, charged with theft, violating conditions of release, and a parole violation. A change of plea hearing was scheduled for Sept. 18.

A calendar call was held for James Howe, charged with being a felon in possession with a weapon, having a weapon in the house of a felon, harassment, unlawful contact, and violating conditions of release. The calendar call was rescheduled for Jan. 21, 2020, with a trial on Jan. 28, 2020.

A calendar call was held for Kory Versteeg, charged with not storing his crab pots correctly, not marking his crabbing gear or buoys correctly, and using king crab pots that did not permit the escapement of undersize crab. The calendar call was rescheduled for Jan. 21, 2020, with a trial set for Jan. 28, 2020.

A calendar call was held for Katie Edfelt, charged with assault in the 4th degree and assault 2. A status hearing was scheduled for Sept. 19.

A hearing was held for Duke Aitken, charged with assault 3 and assault in the 4th degree. A calendar call was rescheduled for Jan. 21, 2020, with a trial on Jan. 28, 2020.

A calendar call was held for Joshua Grustein, charged with

Police report

September 16

Agency assist: Door unlocked.

Suspicious circumstance: Civil matter. Unsecured premises.

September 17

Citizen assist: Vehicle unlock.

Paper service.

Found property: Glasses turned in.

Traffic stop: Verbal warning for driving habits.

Found property: Cell phone turned in, returned to owner.

September 18

Abandoned vehicle.

Subpoena service.

Suspicious circumstance.

Report of Disturbance.

September 19

Four subpoena services performed.

September 20

Crisis intervention team.

Traffic stop: Verbal warning to travel with headlights on.

Traffic stop: Verbal warning.

Agency assist: Line crew, GCI.

Traffic complaint: Speeder.

September 21

Agency assist: Public works.

Domestic: Parental.

Agency assist: Paper service.

Harassment.

Hit and run.

Traffic stop: Verbal warning for conducting U-turns on Front Street.

Agency Assist: Line crew.

VCOR

September 22

Traffic stop: Verbal warning for driving habits.

Agency assist: Fire department.

Fireworks

Gunshot: Noise was caused by diesel heater inside a trailer.

During this reporting period there were four animal complaints and one EMS call.

assault. A status hearing was scheduled for Sept. 19.

A calendar call was held for Anthony Guggenbickler, charged with violating conditions of release and a probation/parole violation. The calendar call was rescheduled for Nov. 19, with a trial on Nov. 26.

A calendar call was held for Cooper Seimears, charged with leaving an accident without providing information, violating conditions of release, criminal mischief, criminal trespass, assault, driving under the influence, possession of a weapon while intoxicated, and negligent driving. A bail hearing was set for Sept. 19. The calendar call was rescheduled for Nov. 19, with a trial on Nov. 26.

A calendar call was held for Valerie Nakamura, charged with driving with an invalid license and driving in violation of li-

cense limitation. The calendar call was rescheduled for Nov. 19, with a trial on Nov. 26.

A calendar call was held for Loretto Jones, charged with theft, violating conditions of release, and vehicle theft. A calendar call was rescheduled for Nov. 19, with a trial on Nov. 26.

A calendar call was held for Richard Johnson, charged with assault, harassment, and criminal mischief. The defendant failed to appear, and the court issued a warrant.

A calendar call was held for Theodosia James, charged with theft and violating conditions of release. A status hearing was scheduled for Sept. 23.

A calendar call was held for Andrew Twyford, charged with driving with an invalid license and violating conditions of release. A calendar call was rescheduled for Nov. 19, with a trial on Nov. 26.

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Meet the Candidates:

The City and Borough Assembly: *Three Year Term* and School Board: *Unexpired Two Year Term*

PATRICIA GILBERT

is seeking two positions in this year's election. She is running for re-election to a three-year term on the borough assembly, and is also looking to fill an unexpired two-year term on the school board. In an email sent to the Sentinel, she said that

she has six years of experience on the assembly and 50 years of experience in education, with 23 years of teaching at Wrangell High School. Her priorities, if re-elected to the assembly, include seeing the construction of a new water treatment plant, overseeing expansion of the city ceme-

tery, and seeing to various repairs to the Public Safety Building. Her priorities on the school board will include looking into potentially sharing resources between the school district and the city. This could include, among other examples she provided, maintenance assistance with ve-

hicles, exploring a joint insurance pool, and sharing bulk purchases and consultants. "I want to serve another term on the Assembly to assist in the completion of several city projects," she said in the email. "I want to serve on the School Board to help facilitate coordination between the school



Patricia Gilbert

and city in terms of school maintenance, repairs and funding."

The City and Borough Assembly: *Unexpired One Year Term*

CAITLIN CARDINELL

is running for a one-year unexpired term on the borough assembly. She said in an email to the Sentinel that she wanted to run because she wanted to inspire others, especially Wrangell's younger residents, to serve in municipal

positions where important decisions are being made. She said that she has no goals or priorities if she is elected to the assembly. What she hopes to do, though, is "empower citizens" to take action and be involved in local politics and to bring issues that are important



Caitlin Cardinell

to them to the attention of the assembly. She hopes to accomplish this through offering workshops, Facebook live videos, or explaining via local news outlets how to speak at an assembly meeting on topics that concern them. "I urge the citizens of Wrangell to vote

with an informed mind, for any candidate they feel will represent the interests of themselves, and those who will be around in the future," Cardinell wrote. "I am happy to speak with anybody who would like to get to know me further."

JENNIFER RIDGEWAY

is running for a one-year unexpired term on the borough assembly. This will be her first time running for a position like the assembly, she said, but she has lots of experience in volunteer positions and is a firm believer in public service to one's community. She wanted to run because the assembly has over-

sight of several things in town she said she is "enamored" with, like the library and the rec center. If elected, she said that she wants to make sure the assembly remembers that decisions they make affect not only the people in town, but across the whole borough. She also wants to see the assembly tackle bigger issues facing

Wrangell, such as the water system, their power needs, transportation needs, and properly supporting local businesses and the growing tourism industry. All of her priorities come back to the idea of sustainability, she said. "The assembly would have to look at what's going to be best for the community, not just right now

but for the future," she said. "You know, how big of tourism does Wrangell want? How much can it sustain? How important is it to the businesses here for sustainability? The main thing, though, is just looking at what is the future sustainability of Wrangell going to be."



Jennifer Ridgeway

DREW LARRABEE

is seeking election to the borough assembly for a one-year unexpired term. He served on the assembly several years ago, he said, but stepped down to focus on obtaining his master's degree. He decided to run again because, having earned his degree now, he said that he has the time to dedicate to the job. He also said that he feels he has a good understanding of the community and its needs. If elected, Larrabee said that his priorities would include



Drew Larrabee

seeing to development of a new water plant, the old Institute property, getting a handle on the city's budget issues. He also wants to see that business and tourism continue to grow in Wrangell, but in a way that doesn't hurt the city's small-town feel. Keeping that tight-knit sense of community in Wrangell is one of his highest priorities, he said. "I think that I am open minded and will do the best job that I possible can to create fair representation in the community," Larrabee said.

ANNE MORRISON

is seeking re-election to the borough assembly, for a one-year unexpired term. Morrison has a strong background in politics, she said, having served on Sitka's assembly for six years, was mayor of Sitka for two years, and has also worked for the Alaska governor's office in the past and for the White House during the Reagan administration. She said that she wants to be on Wrangell's assembly again because she said that she saw many issues and opportunities that the city faces, and she wants to help out. Infrastructure will be her

biggest priority over the next year, if elected. She described Wrangell's infrastructure as "tenuous, to say the least." She wants to see Wrangell repair and replace lots of things, from the water plant, to the power plant, and the public safety building, among other areas of aging buildings and equipment. She wants to put an emphasis on maintenance, as well. There are good people working for Wrangell, she added, and they are doing their best with the tools they're given. As a business owner, Morrison said that she understands the struggles local business owners go



Anne Morrison

through in Wrangell, too. "We've been in Alaska for 40 years and here for 12," Morrison said. "It's a great little town."



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Meet the Candidates:

School Board: *Three Year Term*

BETH HELLER

is running for a three-year term on the school board. She has not served on a school board before, she said, but has volunteered for several years on the district's parent advisory committee. She decided to run because she is big on volunteerism, and she also has three children in the school system. Her main priority, if elected, will be to learn the ropes of being a school board member. She does not want to fight for a



Beth Heller

complete overhaul of the system, she said, she wants to work with the board to make the dis-

trict as good as it can be. Her biggest concern, she said, is how state budget cuts will affect Wrangell. She wants to work with the board to make the best of that situation. As a people person, she added that she believes she will be able to easily work with school staff and the wider community. "I think I get along with the teachers and the staff at the school really well, and the community," Heller said. "I'm a pretty easy going person."

CYNI CRARY

is running for a three-year term on the school board. She has served on the board before, she said, several years ago. She decided to run again because she saw that there was a need for people to step up and offer themselves for the position. She said she would make a good candidate for the position because of her previous experience, both on the school board and as a former employee of the school district. She added that she's also very familiar with parliamentary procedure, as another part of her experience. If elected, Crary said that her main priority will be tackling the district's budget issues. Another of her priorities will be the students, she said. Two of her chil-



Cyni Crary

dren have already gone through Wrangell's school system, and she has two more in school right now, so she said she has a vested interest in making the district the best it can be. "People should consider voting for me based on my previous experience and the fact that I am an advocate for kids, and my dedication to students," Crary said.

DAVID WILSON

is seeking re-election to the school board for a three-year term. He decided to run again for a variety of reasons, he said. First of all, he said that he feels like he has only just gotten started on the school board and he wants to continue his work. With recent turnovers on the school board, he also said that maintaining some level of stability was important. Having six children of his own and a foster child go through the school system, and several grandchildren in school now, he also said that he has a vested interest making

the district the best it can be. The biggest priority Wilson has is protecting and improving student education, he said, and all of his other priorities revolve around that one goal. He wants to see the school district continue to follow their strategic plan they adopted last year. His other priorities include finding more funding for the district and kick starting their curriculum mapping program. He also wants to see increased involvement from the wider public in the district. Wilson said that people should consider voting for him because he is passionate



David Wilson

about seeing Wrangell's kids get a good education, he is more than just a "yes man" on the board, and because he sees the different strengths and weak-

nesses of the district. "I feel grateful for being able to have served so far," he said. "As I said I've gone to different trainings, I've learned a lot, I would hate to think what I have learned just gets put to the wayside. I know the school district and the people have already invested in me.

I want to pay back for that investment they've made."

JAYME HOWELL

is running for a three-year term on the school board. She was unavailable for an interview.

School Board: *Unexpired One Year Term*



JEANIE ARNOLD

is running for an unexpired

one-year term on the Wrangell School Board. This would be her first time on the school board if elected, she said. She said that she wanted to run because her daughter is in kindergarten this year, and she thought the school board would be a good way to stay involved in the school community and also give back to the district. If elected, Arnold said her priorities would involve a lot of listening and learning since

she will be new to the position. She also said she will want to keep aware of issues that are of concern to the public and bringing them up with the school board. One of her big passions, she said, is early childhood education and emotional awareness. As a case worker for Alaska Crossings, she said that she wants to see schools have a stronger emphasis on teaching kids about their emotions and

how to regulate them. "I want to provide a service, I want to give back to the community, and I'm a pretty open and reasonable voice," Arnold said. "I'm com-

passionate, and I really care about the service that the school district is providing for me and for my family. I want to be able to support that however I can."

SHERI RIDGEWAY

is running for an unexpired one-year term on the Wrangell School Board. She said that she was inspired to run because she has a child in middle school, and she understands how important children are to the community. She saw on Facebook that there were several positions open and few applicants, she said, and she wanted to step up. If there isn't a school board to make decisions, she asked, then what happens to the kids? If elected, she said her main priority will be to learn the ropes since she has not been on the school board before. After that, she said her main goal will be to see that the school board's decisions are the best for the district and its kids, and that business continues to get done. "I'm new to town, but getting to know people has been a priority for me," she said. "I feel like I could be a valuable part of the community and a valuable part of the school board, just making sure, you know like I said, that decisions for our kids are being made and there's somebody there to do it."



Sheri Ridgeway

Port Commission: *Three Year Term*

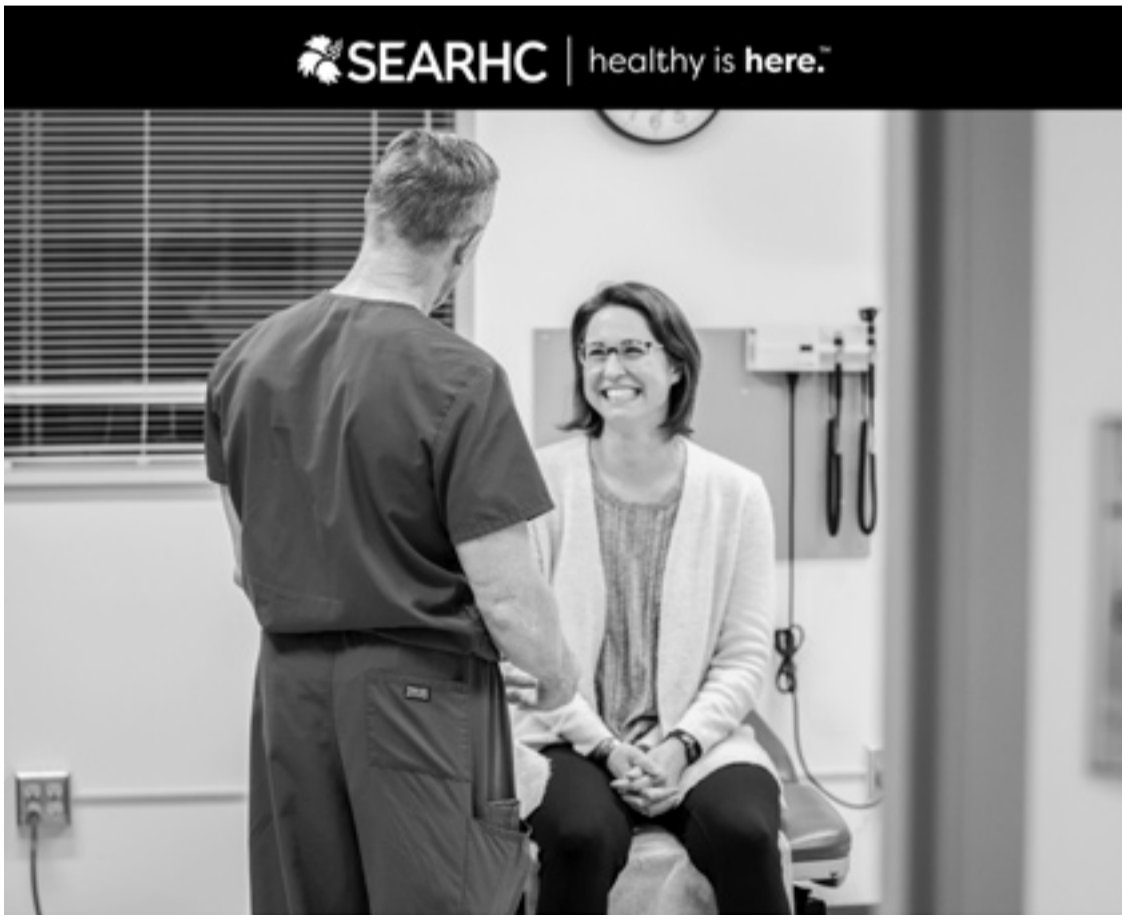
JOHN YEAGER

is seeking re-election to the Wrangell Port Commission for a three-year term. Yeager is the vice-chair of the commission, he said, and is also the senior member of the organization. He said that he is running again because he wants to maintain a sense of continuity with the organization, and that what the commission does is very important to the community and he wants to continue to serve. Among his priorities for the next three years, if elected, will be to oversee the final renovations to Shoemaker Harbor, improve all the other harbors in the city, support the local businesses in the



John Yeager

boat yard, and in general make Wrangell as welcoming a place to mariners of all kinds as possible. Another big priority he mentioned is to continue the strong relationship between the port commission and the Wrangell Mariners' Memorial. Yeager also sits on the memorial board, and he wants to see the two groups continue to work closely together. In all, he said, people should consider voting for him because he is also a mariner and local businessman, and understands the importance of the port commission to these groups. "I am a business owner that has four vessels and use the harbors extensively," Yeager said.



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Volleyball team gearing up for new season under new leadership

By CALEB VIERKANT
Sentinel writer

The Lady Wolves, Wrangell High School's volleyball team, are gearing up for another season. They will be traveling a lot this year, according to the team's schedule, with only one home game scheduled against school rival Petersburg. Wrangell will also be hosting the regional tournament in November. The team consists of 11 girls this year, as well as some new leadership.

Alyssa Allen is the Lady Wolves' new head coach and she is looking forward to the new season.

Allen was the team's assistant coach for three years, under recently-retired head coach Jessica Whitaker. She has also coached middle school volleyball for two years. She played for the Lady Wolves during her high school career, as well, graduating in 2013. "I guess it's some-



thing I've wanted to do. I've always really enjoyed playing volleyball and I enjoyed

"I guess it's something I've wanted to do. I've always really enjoyed playing volleyball and I enjoyed being their assistant coach and watching them all improve and grow throughout the years."

- Alyssa Allen,
the Lady Wolves' head coach

the years," Allen said. "It's definitely something I enjoy."

The full team has only come together for practice a couple times at the time of writing, but Allen said that she feels the team will come together soon. Several of her players are also running on the cross country team, which will be competing in regionals Sept. 28, and also on the swim team. Allen said that she expects the team may have some initial challenges, but will get better with time and practice.

"We've only really had a couple of practices with everybody here, but I think it's going to come together," Allen said. "I think we're going to improve a lot throughout the year just because we have so many young players and people who are going to be stepping into new positions this year."

The Lady Wolves' first game will be on Oct. 4 and 5 in Sitka.

Swim team hits the water at Juneau meet

By CALEB VIERKANT
Sentinel writer

Wrangell's swim team finally made it to their first meet in Juneau on Sept. 20 and 21 after a late start to their season due to budget constraints. They competed against six other schools, according to meet results from Coach Jamie Roberts.

Friday results:

Renee Roberts took 1st place in the 50-yard freestyle and 2nd in the 100-yard freestyle with a personal best of 1:28.34. Paige Baggen took 2nd in the 500-yard freestyle with a personal best of 7:35.25, and 10th in the 100-yard freestyle with a personal best of 32.65 seconds, and 6th in the 100-yard breaststroke with a personal best of 1:28.12. Ashleigh Loomis took 18th in the 50-yard freestyle with a personal best of 33.28 seconds, and 15th in the 100-yard freestyle with a personal best of 1:11.60. Tasha Massin took 25th in the 50-yard freestyle and 18th in the 100-yard freestyle with a personal best of 1:28.34. Aaliyah Messmer took 3rd in the 500-yard freestyle with a personal best of 7:58.86, and 1st in the 100-yard backstroke with a personal best of 1:33.26. Jimmy Baggen took 10th in the 50-yard freestyle and 3rd in the 100-yard breaststroke. Carter Hammer took 21st in the 50-yard freestyle with a personal best of 34.80 seconds, and 14th in the 100-yard freestyle with a personal best of 1:28.35. Coby Holder took 19th in the 50-yard freestyle with a personal best of 31.84 seconds, and 11th in the 100-yard freestyle with a personal best of 1:20.19. Wade Jack took 7th in the 50-yard freestyle with a personal best of 25.31 seconds, and 4th in the 100-yard breaststroke with a personal best of 1:19.04. Sean Rooney took 9th in the 200-yard freestyle with a personal best of 2:43.39, and 9th in the 100-yard freestyle with a personal best of 1:09.08.

The girls' 200-yard medley relay team took 7th place at

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CITY AND BOROUGH OF WRANGELL
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OCTOBER 1, 2019

Completely fill in the oval opposite the name of each candidate for which you wish to vote as shown: ●

**FOR ASSEMBLY MEMBER
THREE YEAR TERM**

VOTE FOR NO MORE THAN TWO

Julie Decker

Patricia Gilbert

**FOR ASSEMBLY MEMBER
UNEXPIRED ONE-YEAR TERM
UNTIL OCTOBER 2020**

VOTE FOR NO MORE THAN TWO

Caitlin Cardinell

Drew Larrabee

Anne M. Morrison

Jennifer Ridgeway

**FOR PORT COMMISSION
THREE YEAR TERM**

VOTE FOR NO MORE THAN TWO

John A. Yeager

**FOR SCHOOL BOARD
THREE YEAR TERM**

VOTE FOR NO MORE THAN TWO

Cyni Crary

Beth Heller

Jayme Howell

David G. Wilson

**FOR SCHOOL BOARD
UNEXPIRED ONE-YEAR TERM
UNTIL OCTOBER 2020**

VOTE FOR NO MORE THAN ONE

Jeanie Arnold

Sheri Ridgeway

**FOR SCHOOL BOARD
UNEXPIRED TWO-YEAR TERM
UNTIL OCTOBER 2021**

VOTE FOR NO MORE THAN ONE

Patricia Gilbert

TURN BALLOT OVER - VOTE BOTH SIDES

Multiple personal bests at cross country meet

By CALEB VIERKANT
Sentinel writer

The Wrangell Cross Country team travelled down to

Ketchikan last Saturday for another meet. This was their final meet before regionals, which will take place in Sitka on Sept. 28. Coach Drew Larrabee said that all the athletes tied or broke their personal records at the meet.

The girls' team took 6th place in the 5,000 meter varsity. The first Wrangell runner to cross the finish line was Jade Balansag, 20th overall, coming in at 21:57. Jamie Early was the second Wrangell runner to finish at 23:32, 37th in the overall race. Third place for Wrangell and 38th overall was Skylar Larrabee at 23:35. All three runners made personal bests with their times in this run.

First place for Wrangell in the boys' 5,000 meter run was Devlin Campbell, 69th overall, with a time of 20:22. The next Wrangell runner was Ethan Blatchley, 71st overall, at a personal best of 20:26. Third place for Wrangell, and 100th overall, was Austin Reid with a personal best of 22:08.

"Our team is well prepared for regionals," Larrabee said. "The team is strong, healthy, and ready to go."



COURTESY OF CANDY PETE

Wrangell cross country runner Skylar Larrabee neck-and-neck with Ketchikan runner Malia King. According to Larrabee's mother, Pete Candy, she won with a final leap across the finish line. The race results put Larrabee in with a time of 23:35 and King at 23:40.

Swim team

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2:17.99. The boys' 200-yard medley relay team took 6th place at 2:12.18. The boys' 200-yard freestyle relay team took 6th place at 1:59.36.

Saturday results:

Renee Roberts took 1st place in the 50-yard freestyle and in the 100-yard backstroke, with a personal best of 1:06.79. Aaliyah Messmer took 19th in the 50-yard freestyle with a personal best of 31.77 seconds, and 14th in

the 100-yard freestyle. Laura Helgeson took 16th in the 100-yard freestyle with a personal best of 1:15.36, and 14th in the 100-yard backstroke. Tasha Massin took 24th in the 50-yard freestyle at 38.88 seconds and 22nd in the 100-yard freestyle, with a personal best of 1:28.30. Paige Baggen took 19th in the 100-yard freestyle with a personal best of 1:20.59, and 12 in the 100-yard breaststroke. Ashleigh Loomis took 20th in the 50-yard freestyle and 13th in the 100-yard freestyle. Jimmy Baggen took 9th in the 200-yard freestyle and 10th in the 100-yard backstroke, with a personal best of 1:12.70. Wade Jack took 8th in the 50-yard freestyle and 6th in the 100-yard breaststroke, with a personal best of 1:17.45. Sean Rooney took 14th in the 50-yard freestyle with a personal best of 31.04 seconds, and 11th in the 200-yard freestyle with a personal best of 2:37.65. Carter Hammer took 19th in the 50-yard freestyle and 13th in the 100-yard backstroke. Coby Holder took 17th in the 50-yard freestyle.

The girls' 200-yard medley relay team took 8th place at 2:31.51. The girls' 200-yard freestyle relay team took 7th place at 2:21.37. The boys' 200-yard freestyle relay team took 7th place at 1:53.53.

"There were a lot of personal bests this weekend ... I was really proud because our returning swimmers were either swimming as close to their personal bests from last year or better, which for your first meet is really great," said Roberts.

The team will travel southward for the Ketchikan Invitational next weekend on Oct. 4 and 5. The team also has a rummage sale this Saturday to raise funds to cover travel expenses, located in the middle school commons, starting at 10 a.m.

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT FOR THE STATE OF ALASKA FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT AT KETCHIKAN

In the Matter of the Estate of:)
)
NADINE IONE PHILLIPS)
Deceased) CASE NO. 1KE-19-162PR

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Leland Ray Phillips has been appointed the Personal Representative of the above-entitled estate. Pursuant to Alaska Statute, Title 13.16.450, all creditors are hereby notified to present their claims within four (4) months after the date of the first publication of this notice or be forever barred. Said claims must be submitted to Leland Ray Phillips, c/o Keene & Currall, PPC, 540 Water Street - Suite 302, Ketchikan, Alaska 99901.

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CITY OF WRANGELL JOB ANNOUNCEMENT METER READER (ON-CALL, PART TIME) WRANGELL MUNICIPAL LIGHT & POWER

The Wrangell Municipal Light and Power Department will accept applications for the position of **Meter Reader** through September 27, 2019 at 4:00 p.m. This is an on-call position, working approximately one 40-hour week per month. This position is a non-benefitted position.

The Meter Reader is essential to the support of Wrangell Municipal Light & Power operations. The Meter Reader will assist line crews in the reading of electric meters citywide. A city vehicle will be used for the position and a pre-employment drug test will be required.

Applications and job descriptions may be obtained and returned to Aleisha Mollen at City Hall, 205 Brueger Street (P.O. Box 531), Wrangell, AK 99929 or via email at amollen@wrangell.com.

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Lisa Von Bargen
Borough Manager

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PROPOSITION 1

Ratification of Ordinance 964

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Shall the Home Rule Charter of the City and Borough of Wrangell be amended to repeal Section 3-9, Wrangell Medical Center, as set forth in Ordinance No. 964?

Yes
No

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Alaska Fish Factor

By LAINE WELCH
Fisheries columnist

North Pacific Fishery Management Council to meet in Homer September 30 - October 10; first time since 1983

Federal stewards of Alaska's fisheries will meet in Homer for the first time since 1983 as they continue their pursuit of involving more people in policy making.

From September 30 to October 10, the spit will be aswarm with entourage of the 15 member North Pacific Fishery Management Council which oversees more than 25 stocks in waters from three to 200 miles offshore, the source of most of Alaska's fish volumes.

The NPFMC is one of eight regional councils established by the Magnuson-(Ted) Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act in 1976 that booted foreign fleets to waters beyond 200 miles and "Americanized" the Bering Sea fisheries.

"The council certainly is interested in engaging more stakeholders, particularly from rural and Alaska Native communities, and by going to more coastal communities, it allows them more opportunity for input into the process," said Dave Witherell, council executive director, adding that in recent years the council has expanded beyond Kodiak, Juneau and Sitka to convene in Nome and Dutch Harbor.

At Homer, following the lead of the state Board of Fish-

eries, a first ever "Intro to the Council Process" workshop will be held to make the policy process less daunting. Witherell said that came at the suggestion of the council's local engagement committee created in 2018.

"It's quite a steep learning curve to understand all the ins and outs and goings on at a council meeting and what's written in our analyses," Witherell said. "We're trying to open it up so that someone who may not follow or live and breathe the council process can still participate. We're trying to put it out there in plain language."

Plain language is also what you'll find on the revamped NPFMC website. All postings of meeting agendas, document overviews, etc. are in a "conversational style" and have been consolidated in one place, said Maria Davis, council IT specialist.

"Some of the topics are very complex so distilling them down into two or three sentences may not be exactly what is happening, but it gives them a large overview. Then you can read the analysis if you're really interested in a lot of the detail," she said adding that searchable digital content is included back to 2014.

"It's so easy to find docu-

ments and it's so easy for the staff to upload their documents," Davis said. "There's also a public comment portal where you can read comments and you can upload your comments for committee and council meetings under each agenda item. It's very user friendly and you get a return email that says thank you, your comment has been received and council members and the general public can see it immediately. It's really been a game changer as far as accessibility for the public."

The council members know that the topics they discuss and the decisions they make affect many who are not directly involved in fishing, Davis added.

"It's also all the businesses where you live year round and the communities," she said. "We want to hear from them and we want to make it easy and not intimidating."

The industry will get a first glimpse at potential 2021 catches of Alaska pollock, cod, sablefish, rockfish, flounders and other whitefish at the Homer meeting. www.npfmc.org

More women in fish - Dave Witherell stepped up to the NPFMC executive director role when after 16 years Chris

Oliver moved to Washington,

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Thank you Wrangell

for another successful tour season!

The SRJBA had its last Stikine River tour on September 13th, and with only one cruise ship left to go this season, we wanted to wish everyone good luck hunting, and happy winter! See you all in the spring!



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For more information, contact Martha Pearson at 966.8783

Fish Factor

LEGAL

Pursuant to the City & Borough of Wrangell, Alaska, Borough Charter, Sec. 4, public notice is hereby given that the following ordinance listed by title only has been adopted by the Borough Assembly. Such ordinances are currently on file in the office of the Borough Clerk and may be inspected upon request.

ORDINANCE No 968 OF THE ASSEMBLY OF THE CITY AND BOROUGH OF WRANGELL, ALASKA, REPEALING SECTION 15.18.070, COLLECTION OR DISPOSAL FEES, IN ITS ENTIRETY AND ESTABLISHING A NEW PROCESS FOR FEES IN CHAPTER 15.18 GARBAGE OF THE WRANGELL MUNICIPAL CODE

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

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PUBLIC NOTICE City Board and Committee Vacancies City and Borough of Wrangell

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. You can also email your *Letter of Interest* to the Borough Clerk at: clerk@wrangell.com.

Deadline for Letters of Interest is **4:00 p.m., Friday, October 2, 2019**, for the following vacancies:

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

Appointments will be made at the October 8, 2019 Regular Assembly meeting.

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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Kim Lane, MMC
Borough Clerk

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CITY AND BOROUGH OF WRANGELL, ALASKA NOTICE OF REGULAR ELECTION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on the 1st day of October 2019, 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.

Assembly:	Two – (3 Year Terms)
Assembly:	Two – (1 Year <i>Unexpired</i> Terms until 10-2020)
Port Commission:	Two – (3 Year Terms)
School Board:	Two – (3 Year Terms)
School Board	One – (1 Year <i>Unexpired</i> Term until 10-2020)
School Board	One – (2 Year <i>Unexpired</i> Term until 10-2021)

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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.

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

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DC to take the helm at NOAA Fisheries two years ago. With-erell chose Diana Evans to be deputy director, the first woman to hold that position. Evans has worked as a fishery analyst for the council since 2002.

At the Homer meeting, two women also will be newly seated to replace Theresa Peterson of Kodiak and Buck Laukitis of Homer whose terms have

expired.

Cora Campbell and Nicole Kimball both have previously represented the State of Alaska on the NPFMC but they now will be industry representatives. Campbell, a former commissioner of the Alaska Dept. of Fish and Game, is now CEO of Silver Bay Seafoods. Kimball served for many years as federal fisheries coordinator for ADF&G and now is vice president of Pacific Seafood Processors Association.

Carina Nichols of Sitka was hired by Alaska Senator Dan Sullivan as a new legislative assistant focusing on fisheries. Nichols has fished for sablefish and halibut in Southeast and salmon at Bristol Bay. She also has been a member of the NPFMC Advisory Panel.

"I am glad to welcome Carina to my team in Washington, DC. Her many years of experience both working on the water and in fisheries policy brings a depth and breadth of knowledge about the issues facing Alaska's fisheries and coastal communities that will be invaluable in guiding my work serving Alaskans," Sullivan said in an emailed message.

Big Bay pay day! Bristol Bay salmon fishermen are set to take home their biggest paychecks ever. The 2019 preliminary exvessel (dockside) value of \$306.5 million for all salmon species ranks first in the history of the fishery and was 248 percent of the 20-year average of \$124 million, according to an ADF&G release.

The 2019 sockeye salmon run of 56.5 million fish was the fourth largest and it was the fifth consecutive year that in-shore runs topped 50 million fish.

The all-species harvest of

44.5 million is the second largest on record, after the 45.4 million taken in 1995. This year over 43 million of the Bristol Bay salmon harvest was sockeyes.

Here are the 2019 salmon base prices at Bristol Bay with comparisons to 2018 in parentheses: sockeyes - \$1.35 per pound (\$1.26); Chinook - \$.50 (\$.80); chums - \$.25 (\$.43); pinks - \$.05 (\$.20) and cohos - \$.55 (\$.80).

The weight, harvest, and price of each species were used to estimate values and do not include future price adjustment for icing, bleeding, or production bonuses.

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Kim Lane, MMC,
Borough Clerk
City & Borough
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CITY & BOROUGH OF WRANGELL ADVERTISEMENT FOR THE POSITION POLICE CHIEF POLICE DEPARTMENT

The Wrangell Police Department is accepting applications for the position of Police Chief beginning September 17, 2019. The position is open until filled. Review of each application for potential interview will begin immediately upon receipt.

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The candidate must meet the minimum standards for Police Chief per the Alaska Police Standards Council as well as all of the requirements of the City & Borough of Wrangell's job description. A management certification under Alaska Police Standards or equivalent is required. Applicants must successfully complete a background investigation, medical and psychological examination, and drug screening.

This is a full-time, salaried position with full benefits, paid at Grade 35 ranging from \$8038 to \$10154 per month. The full job description and employment application can be found online at www.wrangell.com/jobs.

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Lisa Von Bargaen
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WHS Swimming 2019 Schedule

Oct. 4-5 @ Ketchikan
Oct. 18-19 @ Petersburg
Nov. 1-2 Regions @ Sitka
Nov. 8-9 State @ Anchorage



The Wrangell High School Swim Team (left to right): Aaliyah Messmer, Renee Roberts, Ashleigh Loomis, Sophie O'Brien, Paige Baggen, Tasha Massin, Wade Jack, Jimmy Baggen, and Coby Holder. Not pictured are swimmers Laura Helgeson, Carter Hammer, Sean Rooney, and Jacob Allen.



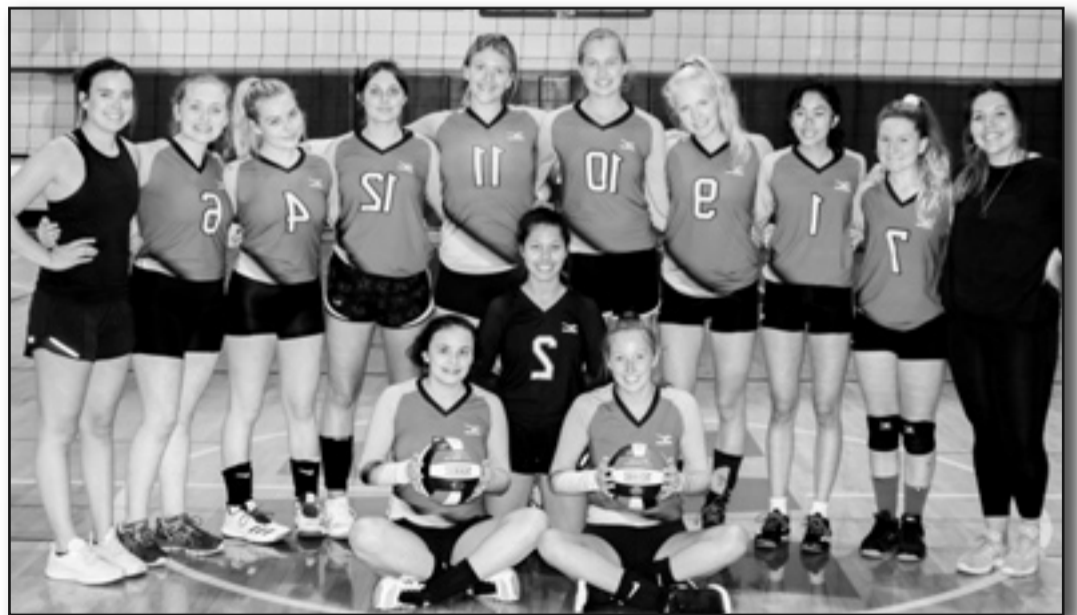
The Wrangell Wolves wrestling team (left to right, from the back row): Jamie Early, Randy Churchill III, Sophia Ely, Steven Larsen, Hunter Wiederspohn, Hannah Brown, James Shilts, Rowan Wiederspohn, Devlyn Campbell, Elias Decker, CeAirra Glaser, Liana Carney, Logan Ritchie, Jonah Comstock, Ethan Blatchley, and Ryan Rooney. Not pictured: Steven Bales, Jake Eastaugh, Chad Jack, Skyler Lofftus, and Chase Kincaid.

WHS Wrestling 2019 Schedule

Oct. 18-19 Tom Sims Tournament
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Nov. 1-2 @ Ketchikan
Nov. 8-9 @ ACS
Nov. 22-23 @ Sitka
Nov. 30 @ Petersburg
Dec. 6-7 @ Juneau
Dec. 13-14 Regions @ Craig
Dec. 20-21 State @ Anchorage

WHS Volleyball 2019 Schedule

Oct. 4-5 @ Sitka (TBD)
Oct. 11-12 @ Jive
Oct. 25-26 @ Skagway
Nov. 1-2 @ Craig
Nov. 8-9 @ Klawock
Nov. 15 @ Petersburg
Nov. 16 vs. Petersburg
Nov. 22-23 Regions Home
Dec. 6-7 State @ Anchorage



The Lady Wolves volleyball team (left to right, from the back row): Assistant Coach Shayna Schultz, Brodie Gardner, Jade Balansag, Kendra Meissner, Kiara Harrison, Ashlee Olson, Emma Martinsen, Kira Torvend, Robyn Booker, Coach Alyssa Allen, Emma Martinsen, Kayla Easterly, and Tasha Massin.

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School board reviews PEAKS test results, ponders on changes to grade scale

By CALEB VIERKANT
Sentinel writer

The Wrangell School Board met early Monday evening, Sept. 23, to hold a work session on the results of the recent PEAKS tests. The Performance Evaluation for Alaska's Schools is an annual test that, according to the Alaska Department of Education and Early Development, is designed to measure a student's understanding of the English language and mathematics. Students are given the PEAKS test from the third to ninth grade. The tests were administered this spring, and according to Superintendent Debbe Lancaster students can expect to receive individual results in the mail within the next few weeks.

According to the test results, which can be found online at www.education.alaska.gov, over 68,000 students were assessed this year. Of these students, 35.72 percent were deemed proficient or above in math and 39.2 percent were deemed proficient or above in English Language Arts. Last year's PEAKS test saw roughly equivalent participation, but found that 36.68 percent of students were proficient or above in math and 42.37 percent were proficient or above in English.

The Wrangell School District, however, was found to be above average compared to the statewide results. The 2019 results report that 148 Wrangell students took the PEAKS test, a participation rate of almost 99 percent. Of these students, from the third to ninth grade, 56.16 percent were proficient or above in math and 49.32 percent were proficient or above in English Language arts. Last year's assessment showed that Wrangell students were 53.06 percent pro-

ficient or above in math and 52.38 percent proficient or above in English. So, as Lancaster pointed out, ground was gained in some areas but lost in others. The school district is still above average compared to statewide results.

Diane O'Brien, a Wrangell resident who spoke after the work session, voiced concern that students had lost proficiency in English this year.

"Speaking of grades, we are failing if you just look at our PEAKS grades for the past three years," she said. "There's one grade, one year, that got to 50 percent. Other than that we're in the 30s and 40s. To me, this seems critical and chronic lack of results for our students."

As this was only a work session, no formal action was taken in regards to the test results. However, Lancaster and other board members stated that they needed to find new and better ways to support teachers and to assist those students who fell below the "proficient" threshold. After the work session, the board called their regular meeting to order. While there were multiple items on the agenda, one topic that got a bit of discussion was not listed. During the "persons to be heard" portion of the meeting, members of the community stepped up to voice concern about a proposed change to the high school's grading scale.

Secondary School Principal David Macri said that the grading scale the school had been using meant students could maintain a 4.0 GPA with grades from 90-100 percent. He raised the idea of changing it back in spring, he said, and it went through several committee meetings from March to May, and

over the summer the board agreed to make it so a 4.0 required grades of 98-100 percent, or an A+ starting in the 2019-2020 school year.

"To make a long story short, the public's concerned about it so we're opening the conversation back up," Macri said. "I'm not going to say we are going to change it, but we're open to suggestions."

Macri said that Lancaster requested that a special task force be organized to further review this proposal and to gather more public input, after the public heard of this proposal and it was proven to be a controversial change.

Bruce Smith wrote the district a letter voicing opposition to this change, asking why they set it to 98 percent and not 97, pointing out that the new grade scale gave students a D+ at 67 percent, C+ at 77 percent, and B+ at 87 percent.

"You list that for an A, 93-97 percent, the student will only receive 3.85 GPA," the letter reads. "My review of most other school websites show that the student will receive a 4.0 GPA for both A and A+ and a 3.7 GPA for an A-."

Ryan Howe, representing the teacher's association, spoke at the meeting to say that the teacher's association had "broad disapproval" of the new grade scale. The way to promote rigor among students was not to tighten up the grading scale, he said, but to change the classroom culture. However, he said that since he recently learned about the task force the district was organizing to review this topic, he is looking forward to seeing how they could work to remedy the situation.

Another voice against the

new grade scale came from ninth grader Haven Jack. Changing this grade scale could have a lot of unforeseen repercussions, she said. It could hurt students' abilities to travel for sports because their grades no longer meet GPA requirements, and could potentially lock students like herself out of future opportunities. Jack is a good student, she said, and she studies hard, but she rarely makes grades in the 98-100 range. This has not bothered her, though, because she knew she could still make a 4.0 as long as she maintained an A grade. This new grade scale could be potentially devastating to her and other students, she said.

"I have found Wrangell High School to be a comfortable environment where I am challenged and well taught, but I was told the goal of the entire staff is to prepare students for the world and give them the means to achieve their dreams," she said. "Instituting this impossible

grade scale would be a contradiction to the school and it is not going to give our students the chance to be as successful when we are competing against other Alaskan schools for scholarships and college admissions."

The task force to review the grading scale will be meeting soon and taking public input, Macri said, adding that he was one of the first to volunteer to sit on it, but he did not know a specific time yet.

Other items covered in the school board meeting include voting down a contract with Nancy Guthrie as the district's special education consultant, as she had withdrawn her interest. The board also approved of a contract with Meridian Systems for a control system upgrade, approval of various grant applications, and discussion of a proposal by Anya Ritchie to add a "Celebrating School Successes" category to future agendas.



Assembly

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Arnold and Alice Bakke for overpaid property taxes. Borough Manager Lisa Von Barga and Helen Keller, representing her parents, the Bakkes, explained the situation. Due to errors on the part of the assessor, the Bakke family has been overcharged on their property taxes since their home was first constructed in 1994. When the mistakes were discovered, Keller approached the borough to get them corrected in 2013. However, the issue did not get resolved then. Keller then came back this year to see about getting her parents' money refunded.

According to the agenda packet, the outstanding balance from 1994 to 2019 is a little over \$12,000. Von Barga said that the borough could also consider a six-year statute of limitations on seeking a refund for overpaid taxes. The recommendation brought before the assembly was to pay the Bakke family \$4,334,667, which Von Barga explained was for the past six years of overpaid property taxes from 2007-2012, when the issue was first brought up, plus interest through to 2019.

This item caused lots of discussion among the assembly. Assembly Member David Powell said that he felt it was the right thing to do to pay the Bakke family the full amount they were owed. Prysunka replied by saying that ignoring the six-year statute of limitations could open a big can of worms, and people finding errors on their taxes from decades ago could come forward and cost the city a lot of money. Assembly Member Patty Gilbert suggested that Von Barga and the city attorney negotiate a price with the Bakkes and Keller, but this was rejected after some discussion. Eventually, the assembly agreed that the item needed to be postponed until they were certain what numbers they were dealing with. Powell said that he also wanted a written opinion from the city attorney when this was brought up in the next meeting, and Assembly Member Anne Morrison asked if they could see if the assessor was liable for the mistakes that caused the problem in the first place.

Other items covered in the meeting include approval of a professional services agreement with JB Rewards Systems for an employee compensation and classification study in the amount of \$25,000, approval of the purchase of a fire pumper truck for a total cost up to \$450,000, and approval of the use of \$240,000 from the State of Alaska Hospital Grant for the construction of a pharmacy on the new hospital campus.

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