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WCA shares grant money with community

By CALEB VIERKANT
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The Wrangell Cooperative Association recently received a \$50,000 grant from SEARHC. According to WCA Tribal Administrator Esther Ashton, several other communities with First Nations entities also received similar grants. The “Healthy is Here” grant is meant to help promote public health within their community.

“The way that it was defined was really left up to the tribal board to determine how they wanted to promote health and culture within our community,” Ashton said. “So the board went through a very rigorous process of trying to figure out how to distribute these funds amongst our community.”

Seven organizations that the WCA determined were beneficial to health and culture in Wrangell received donations. They were:

\$500 to support Wrangell’s “Kids Don’t Float” program, a program allowing people to borrow children’s life jackets and keep their kids safe while boating;

\$1,000 to the Wrangell Senior Center;
\$1,000 to support the Evergreen Ele-



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The Wrangell Cooperative Association made a donation of \$1,000 to Wrangell High School and Middle School to support their athletic programs. Pictured is Principal David Macri (left) and WCA Tribal Administrator Esther Ashton (right).

Wonderfulness Parade prepares to march through Wrangell

By CALEB VIERKANT
Sentinel writer

“I’ve always liked parades because you can dress up as crazy as you want,” said Anny Newport, organizer of the upcoming Wonderfulness Parade.

Newport has brought her love of costumes and parades everywhere she’s lived. Over the years she has collected a wide variety of costumes, and said she loves to be a part of parades. When not in a parade or in costume, she also goes around town as the self-described “Free Toy Fairy,” leaving free toys around town for kids to find. The Wonderfulness Parade has been a longstanding hobby of hers.

“The very first one we had was out at Tyler’s Logging Camp on Zarembo Island. It would have been 1978, I’ll say,” Newport said. “We were just a bunch of women who didn’t have anything [to do] ... We just got some funny stuff together and had a parade. I don’t know where the word came from, ‘wonderfulness.’”

Before moving to Wrangell, Newport and her family lived in Petersburg for many years. She said that she held Wonderfulness Parades in Petersburg and they grew in size and popularity each year. She came to Wrangell around 1998, and has been trying to bring the Wonderfulness Parade back. She attempted to organize a parade in the early 2000s, she said, but was disappointed by the turnout and the short distance for the parade to march. She said the last parade she was in was the Fourth of July parade this year. Due to some medical issues, she has had to slow down her passion a bit.

“I guess you could say I got real old, real quick,” Newport said. “That stopped me because I didn’t like standing around for the parade to start.”

This year, she said, the parade will be marching from the city docks and down Front Street before turning to the Nolan Center. Everyone is invited to participate. Men, women, children, and even friendly pets are welcome in the parade. The parade is mostly meant for everyone, especially kids, to just have fun



PHOTO BY CALEB VIERKANT/WRANGELL SENTINEL

Anny Newport, organizer of the Wonderfulness Parade, and several photographs of herself, friends, and family in parades over the years.

dressing up and being in a parade.

“No commercial acts or organizations, and no competition,” Newport said. “That was another thing that kind of discourages kids from entering because they’re focused on trying to be the winner. This way it’s just fun.”

The Wonderfulness Parade will kick off at noon, August 18. Anyone wishing to learn more about the parade can contact Newport at (907) 305-1255.

mentary School’s Garden;

\$1,000 to Wrangell Middle School and High School, to support their athletic programs;

\$2,000 to the Wrangell Fire Department to benefit Wrangell’s search and rescue K9 team. Steve Prysunka, representing the Wrangell Firefighters Association, accepted the check and explained that the money would go towards sending two dogs to search and rescue training;

\$5,000 to help start a new program being organized by Jill Privett. “Alaska Sprouts Seeds of Change” will be a group aimed at Wrangell’s teenagers. Privett wants to give teens fun and educational activities that can help them later on in adulthood; and

Two donations of \$2,000 and \$5,000 were made to the Wrangell Parks and Recreation Department. These donations will go towards purchasing new exercise equipment and to refurbish Kyle Angerman Park.

Ashton added that the WCA would be keeping some money for itself for several activities. One that she pointed out was to help fund WCA employees taking language and culture classes to help keep their heritage alive. She also added that, hopefully, the “Healthy is Here” grant would become something for the community to look forward to every year.

“It looks like there’s potential for it to be an annual thing, so we are crossing our fingers,” Ashton said. “It all depends on the health of SEARHC, but this is just an amazing shot in the arm to our community and all these wonderful programs we were able to support.”

Birthdays & Anniversaries

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

Thursday, August 16: Cooper Seimears, Margaret Villarma, Alisha Armstrong, Ken Smith, Jenni Jackson, Sabra Neyman, Mike Rugo, Diane O' Brien. *Anniversary:* Keith and Kathy Appleman, Bryant and Joan Benjamin, Ed and Gail Rilatos. **Friday, August 17:** Emily McCloskey, Nikolis Larabee, Moose, Ryan Howell. *Anniversary:* Grover and Dawn Mathis, Derek and Adrienne Angerman. **Saturday, August 18:** Elizabeth Armstrong, Isaac Richard, Haley Waddington, Rob McChargue, Rowan Wiederspohn, Juli Gillen, Darren Newman, Carley Campbell. *Anniversary:* Frank and Cherie Young, Tim and Candace Hunt. **Sunday, August 19:** Kailani Gustafson, Mitch Turner, Heather Vergilio, Dave Hought, Ethel Lane, Abigail Comstock, Marc Simpson. *Anniversary:* Greg and Tammi Meissner. **Monday, August 20:** Leland Helgeson, Charles Petticrew, Steve Chrisman, Peter Helgeson, Nicholas Neyman, Cherrith Young, Dan DeBoer, Michael Szczatko, Cameron Jamieson, Mary Lou Churchill. **Tuesday, August 21:** Trish Kohrt. *Anniversary:* James and Katherine George. **Wednesday, August 22:** Talea Keller, Britany Lindley. *Anniversary:* Eliza and Andrew Feudner. **Thursday, August 23:** Zane Kohrt, Kyle Moore. *Anniversary:* Frank and Crystal Johnson, Kurt and Alana Young.

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

Senior Center Menu

Thursday, August 16

Dutch Style Beef & Cabbage, Carrot/Raisin Salad, Wheat Bread

Friday, August 17

Fiesta Pork Chops, Cauliflower, Waldorf Salad, Angel Biscuits

Monday, August 20

Chicken Cacciatore, Oven Fried Potatoes, Honey Mustard Slaw

Tuesday, August 21

Salmon Chowder, Sunshine Salad, Herb Biscuits

Wednesday, August 22

Pork Chops w/ Baked Apples, Sweet Potatoes Broccoli Toss & Stuffing

Thursday, August 23

Cinnamon Chicken, Green Beans, Peach Salad, Pasta

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, August 18

Malaspina 8:30 a.m.

Sunday, August 19

Columbia 3:45 p.m.

Tuesday, August 21

Malaspina 6:15 p.m.

Saturday, August 25

Malaspina 9:15 a.m.

Sunday, August 26

Columbia 8:45 p.m.

Southbound

Thursday, August 16

Malaspina 10:30 p.m.

Monday, August 20

Malaspina 4:00 a.m.

Wednesday, August 22

Columbia 4:15 a.m.

Thursday, August 23

Malaspina 11:15 p.m.

Monday, August 27

Malaspina 5:30 a.m.

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



TIDES August 16 - August 22

| | High Tides | | Low Tides | | High Tides | | Low Tides | |
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| | AM Time | PM Ft | AM Time | PM Ft | AM Time | PM Ft | AM Time | PM Ft |
| August 16 | 5:02 | 15.4 | 5:31 | 16.2 | 11:00 | 0.7 | 11:40 | 1.6 |
| August 17 | 5:57 | 13.7 | 6:22 | 15.3 | 11:47 | 2.3 | | ... |
| August 18 | 7:05 | 12.3 | 7:23 | 14.5 | 0:40 | 2.3 | 12:40 | 3.8 |
| August 19 | 8:24 | 11.6 | 8:32 | 14.1 | 1:49 | 2.8 | 1:44 | 4.9 |
| August 20 | 9:42 | 11.6 | 9:38 | 14.2 | 3:07 | 2.7 | 3:00 | 5.5 |
| August 21 | 10:47 | 12.2 | 10:37 | 14.7 | 4:22 | 2.2 | 4:17 | 5.3 |
| August 22 | 11:40 | 13.1 | 11:28 | 15.3 | 5:20 | 1.4 | 5:19 | 4.7 |

Wrangell Roundup: Special Events

Monday, August 20

Presentation: Susan and Jeffrey Weaver. Cancer fighting foods, lifestyle changes, etc. The Nolan Center. 6:30 p.m.

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.; Step Study Sat. 7 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.

August 15, 1918

To the Mayor, Wrangell. Government will hold a national rifle match at Camp Perry, Ohio, September 16 to 21. Alaska may send a civilian team of 16 members, ages 16 to 45. Team must report to Camp Perry September 1, government to pay transportation and subsistence expenses.

If you have any good shots please hold elimination shoot immediately and wire of your choice to this office. If can be determined who is best man without contest wire his name promptly. Action imperative. Cramer, Secretary to Governor.

August 13, 1943

Biggest mud shark believed ever to have been brought to the local waterfront was brought in this week by Capt. John Wellman aboard the XL. The monster, which had become caught in one of the traps, was 25 feet long and had a liver weighing 1,057 pounds. The liver was worth 15 cents a pound.

August 15, 1968

Wrangell police are still shaking their heads today.

It all started early Sunday morning when they were out looking for a burglary suspect. Bar owner Don House was with them since it was his place where the theft had allegedly happened.

They spotted a man in front of "Bar X" - and surrounded him.

"That's him," House shouted. "Get him!"

And so patrolman Don Riley, a former California sheriff's deputy and newcomer, "put the arm on the suspect."

When the dust had settled, the "suspect" was freed.

He was Fred Angerman, owner of the Totem Bar.

August 12, 1993

Public Works Superintendent Bob Caldwell said the recent rains we have enjoyed have

helped the city's water supply but both reservoirs are still below normal levels.

"We still consider the city's water supply to be at a critical level. We request water conservation, including no lawn watering or car washing," Caldwell said.

"We applaud the voluntary conservation the public has shown these last few weeks. It has resulted in substantial reduction in water consumption and every little bit helps," he added.



Wrangell Weather

| Date | High | Low |
|--------|------|-----|
| Aug 07 | 68 | 57 |
| Aug 08 | 64 | 55 |
| Aug 09 | 64 | 55 |
| Aug 10 | 64 | 52 |
| Aug 11 | 66 | 48 |
| Aug 12 | 64 | 52 |
| Aug 13 | 63 | 53 |
| Aug 14 | 57 | 55 |



Daylight Hours

| Date | Sunrise | Sunset | Daylight |
|--------|---------|---------|----------|
| Aug 16 | 5:19 am | 8:25 pm | 15:06h |
| Aug 17 | 5:21 am | 8:22 pm | 15:01h |
| Aug 18 | 5:23 am | 8:20 pm | 14:57h |
| Aug 19 | 5:25 am | 8:17 pm | 14:52h |
| Aug 20 | 5:27 am | 8:15 pm | 14:48h |
| Aug 21 | 5:29 am | 8:13 pm | 14:44h |
| Aug 22 | 5:31 am | 8:10 pm | 14:39h |
| Aug 23 | 5:33 am | 8:08 pm | 14:35h |

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Telegraph Creek fire not contained yet

By CALEB VIERKANT
Sentinel writer

The ongoing wildfire near Telegraph Creek, a small town on the Stikine River, has not yet been contained. According to Jody Lucius with the British Columbia Wildfire Service, the fire is a very powerful force of nature that will take time to put out.

"We're focusing on minimizing further impact," she said. "It's going to take a significant amount of time to put out."

The Telegraph Creek Fire is burning in the general direction of another wildfire occurring south of the Stikine River. Lucius said that the wildfire service expects the two fires to combine in the coming days. Approximately 28,000 hectares of land, or about 70,000 acres, have been burned. According to Lucius, 95 members of the wildfire service are on the ground working to contain the fire.

Telegraph Creek is home to roughly 300 people, Lucius said, the majority being of First Nations descent. The town has been put under an evacuation order and, as of a few days ago, the majority of people have left. An emergency operations center has been set up at Dease Lake, a small community several hours to the northeast. Lucius said that people who have evacuated are asked to register themselves there.

Wrangell Island is several hours to the southwest of Telegraph Creek, but members of the community have still been working to lend a helping hand. On August 6, a Telegraph Creek resident by the name of Neoma Sampson posted on Facebook on Wrangell's "Buy, Sell, Trade" page asking if anyone could come upriver with diapers and baby food. She said that she and her son had evacuated to a cabin but did not know how long it would be before they could go home. Residents of both Wrangell and Petersburg chipped in to gather supplies. Calleigh Miller, with Breakaway Adventures, said that the donations were mainly diapers, baby formula, and some items for the mother. Eric Yancey, owner of Breakaway Adventures, transported all these donations up the Stikine to Sampson recently.



PHOTO COURTESY OF THE BRITISH COLUMBIA WILDFIRE SERVICE

The South Stikine River fire just east of Telegraph Creek, B.C., has grown to around 60 square kilometres in size. The B.C. Wildfire Service said it was burning 'aggressively' last week and jumped the Stikine River.

Wrangell officer takes job in Hoonah as chief of police

By CALEB VIERKANT
Sentinel writer

Rick Groshong has been a part of the Wrangell Police Department for 22 years, according to his resume, having joined the force in 1996. As senior patrol officer, Groshong has been responsible for training new officers, responding to calls, collaborating with other law enforcement and government agencies, and finding procedures to deter illegal drug use. His time in Wrangell is coming to an end, however, as he has accepted a new position as the director of public safety and chief of police in the city of Hoonah, Alaska.

"There were quite a few police chief jobs throughout the state," he said. "I went to the academy with the lieutenant that's in there right now. I was kind of talking back and forth with him and I decided to apply."

Groshong added that the decision was brought about as his son, the youngest of three, recently graduated from Wrangell High School.

Before coming to Wrangell, he served as chief of police in the city of St. Mary's for three years. In 2011, he added, he took some vacation time and served as interim police chief in Galena for a month and a half.

In his new position, Groshong will oversee the police department, fire department, and EMS service. He said that the job will not be easy, but he has a great staff to help him in his new job.

"There's going to be a lot more challenges, which is what I'm looking for," he said. "Settling in and getting to know Hoonah and the people is my first priority."

Besides working in Wrangell and raising a fam-



PHOTO BY CALEB VIERKANT/ WRANGELL SENTINEL

Officer Rick Groshong has served the Wrangell Police Department for 22 years. On August 23, he will officially start a new position as chief of police in the town of Hoonah.

ily in town, Groshong has been a part of the community in several other ways. He said that he served on the Wrangell school board for 12 years, and in 2012 was named Citizen of the Year. He said he has enjoyed his time in Wrangell.

"I really love Wrangell," he said. "It's going to be sad, but it's time to do something different."

The official start date for Groshong's new job is August 23.

Police report

August 6, 2018

Concerned citizen: Young kids too close to road.

Bear sighting.

Deer complaint.

August 7, 2018

Suspicious vehicle: Officer responded.

Citizen assist: Unlock vehicle.

Parking complaint: Vehicle left on another person's property.

August 8, 2018

Traffic complaint: Verbal warning given to driver for running stop signs.

Citation issued to Cynthia Galarza, 59: Failure to provide

proof of insurance.

Agency assist: Fire alarm.

August 9, 2018

Traffic stop: Citation issued to Holly Padilla, 33 for speeding.

Suspicious vehicle: Vehicle gone upon officer's arrival.

August 10, 2018

Subpoena service.

Driving complaint.

August 11, 2018

Agency assist: Subpoena service.

Disturbance: Verbal.

Welfare check.

August 12, 2018

Animal complaint/ illegal dumping: Deer carcasses at Shoemaker.

Criminal mischief/DV: Arrested Doreen Feller, 52 on charges of criminal mischief V/DV.

Traffic stop: Verbal warning for driving habits.

Agency assist: Line crew.

Agency assist: Subpoena service.

Agency assist: AMHS.

There were five ambulance calls and three dog complaints this week.

Court report

August 12:

Doreen M. Feller was found guilty of criminal mischief, causing damage under \$250. On August 12, 2018, Feller broke the window of the victim's travel trailer. She has been sentenced to 10 days in jail. Seven of these days have been suspended. Also, she will have to pay a fine of \$200.

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Offshore Drilling dentistry coming to Wrangell

By **CALEB VIERKANT**
Sentinel writer

Starting last summer Dr. Victor Stime, with over 30 years of experience, began a new venture, bringing mobile dentist services to towns across Southeast Alaska



Dr. Victor Stime, DDS.

on his boat "Offshore Drilling." Attending the University of Washington, he has lived and worked in the Pacific Northwest region for many years. He practiced dentistry in Spokane for 29 years before retiring. He has kept himself busy through his retirement, however, by offering dentist services part time.

Stime said fellow dentist Dr. Fred Bakke, who has visited isolated Alaskan communities by boat for many years, inspired him. This is Stime's second summer boating around Southeast Alaska on "Offshore Drilling," and he has a busy schedule ahead of him.

"We're doing several towns," he said.

The summer began for Stime and his nephew, who is assisting, on August 7 with a stop in Ketchikan. Other towns on their route include Metlakatla, Thorne Bay, Coffman Cove, and Port Protection. They expect to

stop in Wrangell on August 19 and 20.

"Weather permitting and mechanically permitting, that's the plan," Stime said.

Stime also added that thanks to the level of technology used by dentists these days, it is relatively easy to fit all the necessary supplies into his 31 foot boat. He said "Offshore Drilling" is a fully modern, mobile dentist office. Despite this, there are some limits to the services they offer to people.

"We can't do crowns," he said. "It can take two weeks for the crowns to get back from the lab, and we aren't around that long. We also don't do bridges or root canals. We offer exams, x-rays, and cleanings. Just your normal, run of the mill dentistry."

After Wrangell, "Offshore Drilling" will be sailing down to Thom's Place and Meyers Chuck before ending the season back in Ketchikan. Once docked in

Wrangell, Stime said they will promote on social media that they are in town.

Stime added that they are Medicaid approved. He also said

that they do not bill insurance companies directly, but will give customers packets on how to be reimbursed by their insurance company.



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Obituary: Robert (Bob) Kurtti, 87

Robert (Bob) Kurtti, 87, passed away on August 12, 2018 in Lakeside, Oregon.

He was born on August 29, 1930 in Leeds, South Dakota to Robert Wilho and Rose Kurtti, as the oldest of three children. While growing up during the Great Depression, his family often moved and eventually settled in Oregon. He had a passion for living off the land and loved places sparsely populated and far off the beaten path. He brought his family to Northwest Territories in Canada, and then moved back to Oregon two years later. In the early sixties, the call of the outdoors and far-away lands led him to drag a big home-built plywood van with his possessions, and his family to Wrangell, Alaska, where he called home for nearly fifty years. Hunting and fishing, strong personalities, tight knit community, boating, running the Stikine River, and living in tune with the harsh environment of SE Alaska, defined him.

He taught himself calculus and engineering and how to play many musical instruments. He loved new technology and continued to embrace learning new technology until recent days. Despite declining health, he still spent time daily studying Japanese and mastering his iPhone.

He entered the computer age using an old Commodore before there were software products commonly available.

He worked in sawmills from his twenties to his mid forties starting in low positions and soon being promoted to managerial positions.

He loved the water and had a second career as a commercial fisherman. Some years later, Bob started another business of a welding com-



Robert (Bob) Kurtti

pany and became a boat builder. He relocated to Juneau for a number of years, where he worked as an optician. Many years after retirement at 80, he moved back to the Oregon coast.

Milder weather, ease of travel to Japan which he did often over the years, and close proximity to family were some of the reasons he moved, but his heart was really in Alaska.

His final "work" was turning wood into useful items. He spent much of his time out in his well-outfitted shop turning

lumpy pieces of dry tree limbs into beautiful artistic bowls. Through that hobby, he met and made many friends in the community of Lakeside, Oregon where he lived his final years.

He was blessed in marriage twice in his lifetime. Janice Griffith, his high school sweetheart was predeceased. They were blessed with four children. Kathy (Heido) Sekioka of Tanabe, Japan; Terri (Doug) Reboul of Clay Center, Kansas; Robbie Kurtti predeceased, and Patti Kurtti of Anchorage, Alaska.

He was blessed with eight grandchildren, 16 great grandchildren, and nine great, great grandchildren.

His second marriage was to Donna, predeceased. They were a lively presence in Wrangell, and their home was a magnet for friends and family to stop by and enjoy their hospitality.

Private services and a tribute will be held in Creswell, Oregon on August 21. Per his request his ashes will be scattered at Red Slough on the Stikine River. He will be interred in the Sekioka family grave in Tanabe, Wakayama.


Memorial donations can be made to the Wrangell Volunteer Fire Department, Box 794, Wrangell, Alaska 99929.

THANK YOU

The public library would like to thank all of the individuals, businesses, and organizations who donated prizes for the Summer Reading Program. We appreciate your continued support in assisting us by encouraging children to read during the summer and improve their reading skills.

We would also like to thank:

- First Bank for the grant to purchase WaterFit Stainless Steel Water Bottles for all those who completed the program.
- Parks and Rec Department pool staff
- J & W's for the 134 ice cream cones.
- Stikine Inn for providing great pizza.
- City and Borough of Wrangell.
- Jeff Angerman for his on-going support.
- Bobs' IGA for supplying cupcakes.
- Wrangell Elks Foundation for the grant to help pay for pizza, cupcakes, chips & pop for the pool party.
- Wrangell Public Schools and Matt Gore for the computers & support.
- All the numerous parents and other helpers at the party.



Thank you again for making the Summer Reading Program a great success!

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Wrangell Cooperative Association tests 10-mile pipe, plankton, shellfish

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10-mile pipe is an important fixture for many in Wrangell. Located along Zimovia Highway, just before the 10-mile marker, a metal pipe continuously allows groundwater to flow to the surface. As the city's water services do not extend very far south on the island, for those living outside city limits it is an important source of water. That is why Wrangell Cooperative Association's IGAP office has done monthly

testing on water from 10-mile pipe, and why this month they announced the discovery of coliforms found in it. Coliforms, according to IGAP technician Kim Wickman, are bacteria that are found in all environments.

"There's fecal coliforms and then there's just coliforms," Wickman said. "We do total coliforms so it's going to count everything, including fecal. So it could be that somebody went potty near the stream or it can be that a leaf is breaking down somewhere nearby, and as it's



PHOTO BY CALEB VIERKANT/ WRANGELL SENTINEL

Kim Wickman, with the Wrangell Cooperative Association, holding a shellfish found at Pat's Landing.

breaking down it's producing different types of bacteria."

The WCA typically tests the water at 10-mile pipe once a month. Since the discovery of coliforms, however, Wickman goes to the pipe once a week for more tests. She added that they found coliforms in the water roughly at the same time last year, as well. As of the most recent test, on August 13, she said coliforms were still present. She said that there's a chance peo-

ple who are not used to drinking from 10-mile pipe could experience stomach issues, but to her knowledge nobody has gotten sick yet.

"We try to give them [the public] information and what they do with it is their choice. Some people will say, 'no, it's not safe,' some people say, 'oh, it's fine.' It's up to them."

Wickman said that they plan to continue testing the water until coliforms are no longer

present. She recommended that people always disinfect ground or surface water before drinking it, regardless.

The 10-mile pipe is not the only resource that WCA tests to ensure the public health, however. Being an island community, as well as one with a large native Alaskan population, shellfish are a big concern of Wickman.

"We want people to eat shellfish," she said. "It is a subsistence food. Lots of tribal and community members enjoy them but we want them to do it in a manner that is safe. So we need to provide them with the best education that we can."

Shellfish, such as blue mussels common around places like Shoemaker Harbor, are filter feeders. The most common thing for them to eat is plankton. However, there are some types of plankton that carry toxins that are dangerous for both people and animals. To ensure safety, Wickman makes weekly trips out to Shoemaker Harbor and Pat's Landing. There she gathers water samples with a special net to help catch plankton. These samples are reviewed at the WCA office, she said, where the water is tested for any plankton population, as well as what kind. While at Shoemaker Bay, Wickman also gathers several blue mussels to send to a lab in Sitka, where they can be checked for toxins.

"Plankton's a wonderful thing," she said. "It is basically the bottom of the food chain. Everybody eats plankton, one way or the other. It's very healthy; we want plankton in the water. Certain types, in large quantities, can cause issues."

The WCA IGAP office can be reached at (907) 874-4304. Wickman can be contacted at igaptech.wca@gmail.com.

CITY AND BOROUGH OF WRANGELL JOB ADVERTISEMENT Temporary Marine Mammal Observer Capital Facilities Department

The City and Borough of Wrangell, Capital Facilities Department, will accept applications for the position of Temporary Marine Mammal Observer, through August 31, 2018.

This position is for a temporary hire related to the Shoemaker Bay Harbor rehabilitation project, with work scheduled for approximately five months.

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For a complete list of qualifications, as well as duties and responsibilities, a job description may be obtained from City Hall. Applications, with resume describing applicant's relative experience, shall be submitted to Wrangell City Hall, 205 Brueger Street (P.O. Box 531), Wrangell, AK 99929. Rate of pay is \$25/hour.

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Becky Rooney and Maria Beers sharing a golf cart before the start of Saturday's golf tournament. The Rally For Cancer Care tournament was meant to raise money to support the WMC Foundation's grant to help cover patients' expenses related to cancer treatment.

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WRANGELL SENTINEL

Jim Abbott warming up with some putting at Sunday's Rally for Cancer Care tournament. Abbott said he liked the cause the tournament supported, helping cover cancer patients' expenses. "It's not for people on welfare or the destitute, it's for everybody," he said.



(From left to right) Carol Larson, Carrie Peterson, Mandie Whitethorn, and Caroline Hurtt came from Petersburg to play in the Rally For Cancer Care Golf Tournament on Saturday morning. According to Patty Gilbert, president of the Wrangell Medical Center

Rally For Cancer Care golf tournament results

By CALEB VIERKANT
Sentinel writer

Last weekend was the annual Rally For Cancer Care golf tournament, organized by the Wrangell Medical Center Foundation. The tournament on Saturday was less of a serious competition and more for fun and socializing. Several holes on the 9-hole course had a different, fun challenge to compete in. Hole No. 2, for example, required golfers to play the entire hole with just their driver. Hole No. 5 required players to tee off with their foot in a bucket. Along with these challenges were refreshments, a photo booth, and a putting contest.

For Saturday's game, Mary An Parkinson

had the straightest drive at 66 inches.

Sunday's game was a regular best ball game. First place went to a team consisting of George Woodbury, Rocky Littleton and Ken Madsen with a score of 23 and a handicap of 12. Second place went to Wayne Harding, Grover Mathis, and Brian Smith, with a net score of 24 and a handicap of 15. Ken Madsen had the straightest drive of the day at 7 feet, six inches. Robert Johnson was closest to the pin at 18 feet.

Next weekend there will be another tournament sponsored by Smitty's Carpet Service and Roberts Construction. Signup is at 9:30 a.m. and the tournament begins at 10 a.m.

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Alaska Fish Factor

By LAINE WELCH
Fisheries columnist

Researchers hopeful tiny cod fish reappearing near Kodiak a sign that stock is recovering after “warm blob” of water depleted food supplies

Tiny cod fish are reappearing around Kodiak.

Researchers aim to find out if it is a blip, or a sign that the stock is recovering after warming waters caused the stocks to crash.

Alaska’s seafood industry was shocked last fall when the annual surveys showed cod stocks in the Gulf of Alaska had plummeted by 80 percent to the lowest levels ever seen. Prior surveys indicated large year classes of cod starting in 2012 were expected to produce good fishing for six or more years. But a so called “warm blob” of water depleted food supplies and wiped out that recruitment.

“That warm water was sitting in the Gulf for three years starting in 2014 and it was different than other years in that it went really deep and it also lasted throughout the winter. You can deplete the food source pretty rapidly when the entire ecosystem is ramped up in those warm temperatures,” explained Steven Barbeaux with the Alaska Fisheries Science Center (AFSC) in Seattle.

This summer researchers at Kodiak saw the first signs of potential recovery with beach seine catches of tiny first year cod that are born offshore and drift as larvae into coastal grassy areas in July and August.

“A lot can happen in that first year of life that we would like to learn more about to predict whether or not these year classes are actually going to survive,” said Ben Laurel, a fisheries research biologist with the AFSC based in Newport, Oregon whose specialty is early survival of cold water commercial fish species. Laurel’s team, which includes scientists from the University of Alaska/Fairbanks, has been studying the early life history of Pacific cod in waters around Kodiak every year since 2005. They documented changes in what he calls “young of the year” fish throughout the warm water event through 2016. Right afterwards, they saw no first-year cod but Laurel said things might be taking a turn for the better.

“In 2017 the ocean temperatures started to get back to normal and we did see signs of some fish, which is good because we hadn’t seen fish earlier,” he said. “In 2018 we also are seeing some young fish. But again, we’re just looking at one year in one area and it might not be reflective throughout the Gulf, so we are not sure what it means.”

Laurel is taking the tiny cod back to the Oregon wet lab

where they will run tests on survival conditions.

“Do they have the likelihood of making it to adulthood just like those fish before the warm water blob? We just don’t know,” he explained. “We don’t have much data on cod during the winter and we can fill that gap in the lab. We can run them through a simulated over winter experience at different temperatures and see what the consequences are of them being a certain size or having certain food available, or what sort of conditions do they need to survive a whole overwintering experience,” he explained.

The cod study this summer also is expanding to more nearshore areas of Kodiak, along the Alaska Peninsula and the eastern Gulf. Laurel credited the AFSC with “really responsive reactions to this drastic reduction in the population,” and adding “more eyes and effort” to understand what happened to the cod stocks.

The research, he said, will provide a window into what might be expected with a changing climate.

“It is kind of a dress rehearsal for what is to come,” he said. “We can’t expect things to stay as they are, and we need to understand these processes and be proactive. I’m encouraged but also nervous about what’s in line for the future. Everybody should be braced for uncertainty.”

Net hack challenge - An Alaska Net Hack Challenge is being planned for September 8 and 9 in Kodiak and Anchorage. The goal is to identify potential opportunities for using the tons of old plastic fishing nets piled up in landfills and storage lots across the state, and develop new items from the materials. The nets can weigh from 5,000 to 20,000 pounds each.

The challenge is based on the Circular Ocean program in the U.K. and Iceland that “aims to inspire enterprises and entrepreneurs to realize the hidden opportunities in discarded fishing nets.” The Alaska hack is sponsored by Grundens, Alpar and Saltwater, Inc.

“The goal is to change how people look at nets and ropes, not as a waste material but as a raw material that can be used in many ways,” said Nicole Baker, founder of www.netyourproblem.com and organizer of the event along with the Alaska Ocean Cluster Initiative.

“Socks, water bottles, cell phone cases, carpets, bathing suits, sneakers, sunglasses, skateboards, rugs, bowls, frisbees, even 3-D printing and injection molds. People are

becoming so creative about finding ways to reuse these plastic products,” Baker said.

The Alaska challenge is aimed at artists, students, designers, business owners, engineers, recyclers and anyone interested in designing new products out of the materials.

“On the first day of the challenge we will show presentations about the context and scale of the issue, the type of materials available, and some businesses that have been implemented already,” she explained. “On the second day, teams will get together and use the material and design a prototype, either physically or on a computer, that will be presented to judges to get their feedback.”

A video link will connect the two locations and judges will score the projects on creativity, usefulness and scalability and follow the development over six months.

“That will be supported by the Alaska Ocean Cluster Initiative which has several programs to assist with making small businesses and startups commercially viable,” Baker said.

“If Alaska gets on board, it could be another revenue stream,” added Brian Himelbloom, a retired University of Alaska seafood specialist who is organizing the Kodiak net hack challenge with an assist by the Alaska Marine Conservation Council.

“There are a lot of creative people in Kodiak,” he added, pointing to the Alaska Rug Company that uses fishing nets and ropes to make hand-woven doormats, pot holders, baskets, bowls, signs, and more at their remote home at the decommissioned Port Bailey Cannery. The company was recently featured in HGTV

magazine.

Himelbloom said the groups also will reach out to local schools to attract “youngsters who are thinking about going into business.” They also are creating a net hack tool kit for remote communities interested in having their own challenges.

The events will take place at the Makerspace Building in Anchorage and at the Kodiak Marine Science Center. Visit www.alaskaoceancluster.com to register to attend.

Meanwhile, Nicole Baker also will be in Kodiak in late August to coordinate a fishing net recycling program. It will mirror a first effort last year in Dutch Harbor that sent 40 nets weighing 240,000 pounds to a company called Plastix in Denmark where they were melted down, pelletized and resold to manufacturers of plastic products.

A second shipment also is being planned at Dutch Harbor and Baker said she also has been contacted by people in Juneau, Homer, Seward and other Alaska communities who want to develop net recycling programs.

The Alaska Net Hack Challenge and the recycling program have attracted the attention of Senator Lisa Murkowski.

“It was my first letter from a Senator’s office,” Baker said. “I was very excited.”

Fish watch - Alaska’s total salmon catch has topped 88 million fish - over 48 million are sockeyes and nearly 42 million of the reds are from Bristol Bay. Fishing is winding down there but lots of salmon is still being hauled in elsewhere, albeit slowly in most regions.

The Dungeness fishery in Southeast is ongoing with a summer harvest pegged at 2.25 million pounds.

Golden king crab opened along the Aleutians on August 1 with a 6.3 million pound harvest, an increase of nearly one million pounds for the first time in 200 years.

Halibut fishermen have taken 56 percent of their nearly 20 million pound catch limit. For sablefish, 47 percent of the nearly 26 million pound quota has been taken. Both fisheries close November 7.

Fishing for cod, rockfish, flounders, pollock and other whitefish continues in the Bering Sea; likewise, in the Gulf where pollock fishing will reopen on August 25.

The Alaska Board of Fisheries has set an August 15 deadline to receive agenda change requests for its upcoming meeting cycle.

The board will take up fisheries at Bristol Bay, the Alaska Peninsula, the Arctic Yukon Kuskokwim, Aleutian Islands and Chignik from November through March. A special two-day meeting on Pacific cod takes place in early October.

Finally, more genetically modified Atlantic salmon grown in Panama has made its way to undisclosed markets. Last summer, Massachusetts-based biotech firm AquaBounty sold its first five tons of “Frankenfish” to undisclosed Canadian customers. The manmade fish grows three times faster than normal salmon.

AquaBounty received FDA approval this year to raise its AquAdvantage salmon at its new land-based Indiana facility, but is currently prevented from importing its genetically tweaked salmon eggs from Canada due to an “Import Alert” pending the issuance of final labeling guidelines. “We anticipate the import alert to be lifted in the second half of this year,” CEO Ronald Stotish said in a press release.

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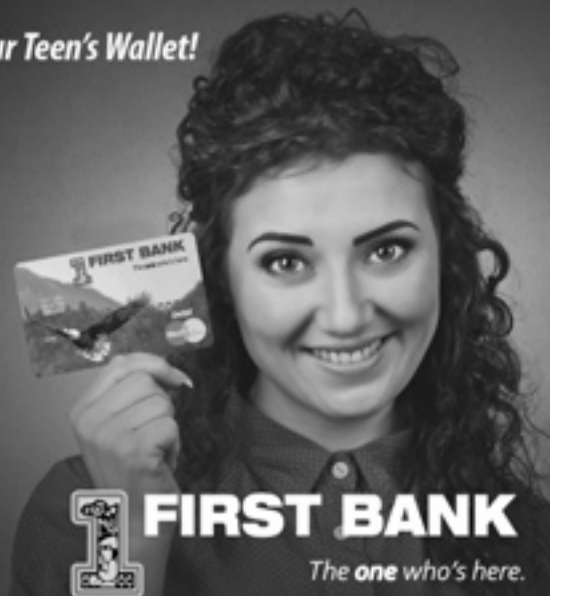
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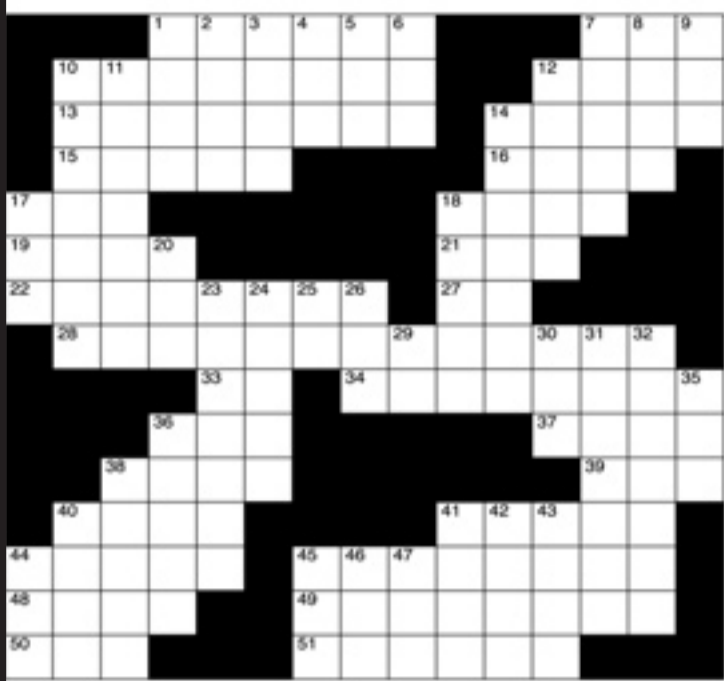
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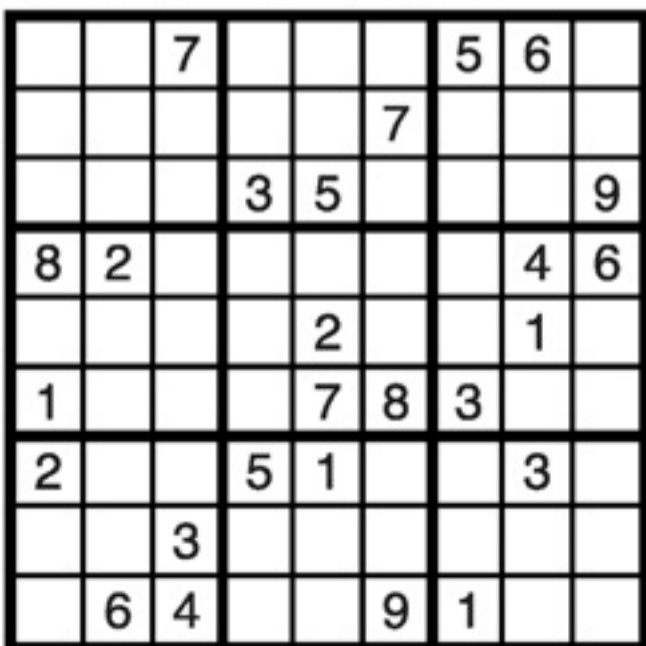
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- 1. The winners
- 7. A place to relax
- 10. Monies to pay debts
- 12. Horse mackerel
- 13. Type of steroid
- 14. Make dry
- 15. The Godfather's adopted son
- 16. Ivanovic and Gasteyer
- 17. Horror movie franchise
- 18. Grab
- 19. Iranian city
- 21. Yearly tonnage (abbr.)
- 22. One's illicit lover
- 27. Fake smarts (abbr.)
- 28. Where Jersey natives depart from
- 33. Doctor
- 34. Front feet
- 36. Insurance option
- 37. Some is "wicked"
- 38. Type of weaving
- 39. Religious woman
- 40. One point east of southeast
- 41. Prestigious literary prize
- 44. Tiny humans
- 45. Relish over
- 48. Computer manufacturer
- 49. Envelops
- 50. One type is dippin'
- 51. Bequeaths

CLUES DOWN

- 1. Dice game
- 2. Greek goddess of youth
- 3. Piers Anthony protagonist
- 4. One-thousandth of an inch
- 5. JFK Library architect
- 6. A type of corrosion (abbr.)
- 7. Beat up
- 8. Political action committees
- 9. Antidiuretic hormone
- 10. Of the desert
- 11. Oblivious of
- 12. Actress Lathan
- 14. Musical instrument
- 17. It's in a plant
- 18. One-time special prosecutor
- 20. Indigenous people of Brazil
- 23. Mothers
- 24. Mongolian desert
- 25. Great Britain, Scotland and Northern Ireland
- 26. British air aces
- 29. A lover to Zeus
- 30. Frequently
- 31. Get together again
- 32. Gives a permanent post
- 35. Sun worshippers love one
- 36. Ammonia-producing process
- 38. 4th month of the Jewish calendar
- 40. New England river
- 41. Stores grain
- 42. Confess openly
- 43. Quarterbacks do it
- 44. Not good
- 45. Witness
- 46. Author Coulter
- 47. Type of screen

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Puzzle answers will be in the August 23 edition

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CITY AND BOROUGH OF WRANGELL

JOB BULLETIN: Public Works Director Public Works Department

The City and Borough of Wrangell is recruiting for a Public Works Director to lead the Borough's Public Works Department.

The Public Works Director is a management position responsible for integrating different, yet related functions supporting overall Public Works goals. Exercises decision making, supervision and problem-solving skills on a daily basis for efficient delivery of public services, infrastructure maintenance and customer service.

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This position is also responsible for the annual development and administration of the overall budgets for all Public Works departments, departmental functions and special projects. They will assist the Capital Facilities Director in evaluation of annual maintenance and capital project needs related to Public Works facilities and operations. Being a liaison between the Borough and labor unions, State and Federal agencies, as well as contractors and outside agencies is an integral part of this position.

This position will appeal to a candidate who thrives in a fast-paced, collaborative, team-centered work environment and enjoys solving problems autonomously and efficiently. Preferred experience includes a knowledge of Federal, State, and local laws relating to Public Works, principles and practices of street, water, and sewer operations. The typical qualifying entrance background requires a bachelor's degree or equivalent with major course work in civil engineering, construction management, business administration, public administration, or a related field, and five years of responsible experience in planning, organizing and directing a public works or related operation, including three years in an administrative or supervisory capacity. Other combinations of education and experience may be substitutes that demonstrate competency in the desired knowledge, skills and abilities for this position.

This is a full-time, salaried position with full benefits, paid at Grade 30 ranging from \$6607 to \$8346 per month. The full job description and employment application can be found online at www.wrangell.com/jobs.

To be considered, submit a cover letter, résumé, and completed employment application via e-mail to amollen@wrangell.com, or in person to City Hall, 205 Brueger St., Wrangell, AK 99929. **Applications will be accepted until end of business August 17, 2018.**

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Lisa Von Bargaen
Wrangell Borough Manager

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The City and Borough of Wrangell is recruiting for an Electric Utility Superintendent to lead the Borough's Light and Power Department.

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Preferred education and experience include completion of an electrical apprenticeship program or trade school diploma, as well as extensive industrial maintenance and electrical work experience, considerable in-depth knowledge of electric generation and distribution operations to ensure that equipment installation and construction is done safely, efficiently, and according to specifications. Requires experience with contract bidding, good verbal and interpersonal skills, thorough knowledge of required electrical codes and standards as well as the ability to inspect building electrical systems. Mechanical knowledge and skill to oversee operations, maintenance and repair of diesel generators safely and efficiently is expected.

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

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PUBLIC NOTICE

The U.S. Department of Commerce, Economic Development Administration (EDA) is considering a request for Federal assistance from the City and Borough of Wrangell to construct a Water Treatment Plant in Wrangell, Alaska. Pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA), EDA is conducting an assessment of the potential of the proposed project to affect the environment and/or historic properties.

The project involves the design and construction of a new water treatment system to be located on the site of the existing water treatment plant. A new treatment building would be constructed within the filled area of the existing plant facility to house two parallel DAF plants. The treatment process involves dissolved air flotation accompanied with chemical coagulation and gravity filtration, with a design flowrate of 1.8 mgd. Chemical feed tanks and associated pumps and control systems will be located in the new treatment building. The existing structure housing the slow sand filters will be converted into clearwells to provide CBW with an additional 0.9 million gallons of water storage. A portion of the existing control building will be used for chemical storage. A gravity sewer line would be constructed to transport backwash waste from the new water treatment building to the existing Wastewater Treatment Plant located just downhill from the water plant. A standby generator and bulk fuel tank would also be installed at the site.

The project will be located at the site of the existing water treatment plant, east of Zimovia Highway, accessed from the extension of Wood Street. Project information is available for review at City Hall, 205 Brueger Street, Wrangell, AK 99929, 907-874-2381.

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The ideal candidate has the ability to work cooperatively with the Director, other employees, other city departments, and the public. They will also have the ability to lead and motivate staff, develop procedures and guidelines for Nolan Center operations, and provide responsible, professional care to the community's collection of artifacts which are housed at the Museum.

A high school diploma is required. Previous management experience and some college is desirable. Event planning and catering knowledge is helpful. Technical expertise is a plus.

This is a full-time, hourly position with full benefits, at Grade 18. The full job description and employment application can be found online at www.wrangell.com/jobs.

To be considered, submit a cover letter, résumé, and completed employment application via e-mail to amollen@wrangell.com, or in person to City Hall, 205 Brueger St., Wrangell, AK 99929. **Applications will be accepted until end of business August 24, 2018.**

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

Lisa Von Bargaen
Wrangell Borough Manager

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Puzzle answers from Aug. 9 Edition



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WRANGELL MUNICIPAL LIGHT AND POWER NOTICE

Wrangell Municipal Light and Power would like to remind everyone that an electrical permit is required before doing any electrical work within the City and Borough of Wrangell.

Wrangell Municipal Code 15.12.040 states that no electrical equipment shall be installed within or on any building, structure or premise, public or privately owned, nor shall any alteration or addition be made in any such existing facilities without first securing a permit from the office of the electrical superintendent.

WML&P would also like to remind everyone that per Alaska Statute all wiring must be done by a licensed contractor working under a valid administrator's license. Minor exceptions are allowed for persons working on their own residence provided that residence is owned by and the primary occupancy of the person doing the work and no commercial enterprise is being conducted on the premise.

Anyone having questions is encouraged to contact Wrangell Municipal Light and Power at 907-874-3602.

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Wrangell school board meets to accept resignation

By **CALEB VIERKANT**
Sentinel writer

The Wrangell School Board met last Friday for a short meeting. The purpose of the meeting was to accept the resignation of school board president Georgianna Buhler. Buhler has been on the school board for almost 10 years, she said, from 2002 to 2010, and again from 2016 to 2018. She decided to resign her position so she could pursue a new position as the school district's business manager.

"There are a number of things that are going on, I did not take this lightly," Buhler said. "But at the

end of the day I have a responsibility to be a financial contributor to my household income. So this was the best of both worlds for me, if I could still be involved with the school."

After unanimously accepting Buhler's resignation, the school board began to discuss temporarily filling the empty seat. Kimberly Powell reminded the board that Buhler's seat was up for election in October anyway. After some brief discussion, the board agree that it would not be worth the effort to temporarily fill the position with the election so close. With that, the meeting was adjourned.

Back to School

First Day of School - Thursday, August 23

REGISTRATION DATES AND TIMES

IN-PERSON REGISTRATION FOR

**Evergreen Elementary School, Stikine Middle School and Wrangell High School:
Thursday, August 16, 10:30 am - 1:30 pm & 4:00 pm - 8:00 pm**

ONLINE REGISTRATION can be completed at wrg.powerschool.com

If you need help accessing your account, please call the school's secretary:

EVERGREEN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL: 874-2321

STIKINE MIDDLE SCHOOL: 874-3393 ext. 227

WRANGELL HIGH SCHOOL: 874-3395 ext. 225

Kindergarten and new students: Please bring up-to-date immunization records and a copy of the child's birth certificate when you come to register.

Fees:

- \$15 Book and Lock Deposit
- \$50 Yearbook Fee (WHS, optional, order early)
- \$35 Yearbook Fee (SMS, optional, order early)
- \$25 Activity Card (Required for students in activities)
- Computer Usage Fee \$60 per person, \$100 per family (Wrangell High School)
- \$50 Tech Deposit Fee (Stikine Middle School)

Fees will be collected during registration; Questions? Call Megan Talburt @ 874-3395

Public Schools Calendar

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| August 20-21 | Teacher Inservice Days |
| August 22 | Teacher Work Day |
| | Title 1 Cookout |
| August 23 | First Day of School for Students |
| September 3 | Labor Day Holiday |
| October 8 | District Wide Inservice |
| November 21 | Early Dismissal |
| November 22-23 | Thanksgiving Holiday |
| December 20 | Early Dismissal |
| Dec. 21 - Jan. 4 | Christmas/New Year's Break |
| January 7 | Teacher Work Day |
| February 18 | District Wide Inservice |
| March 6 | Early Dismissal |
| March 7-8 | Spring Break |

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| April 19 | District Wide Inservice |
| May 17 | Graduation |
| May 23 | Early Dismissal/ Last Day of School |

There will be early dismissal on Fridays for Teacher Collaboration Time. On those days schools will dismiss as follows:

Elementary School: 1:30 p.m.

Secondary Schools: 2:00 p.m.

Schools will follow these times for Holiday early dismissal.

The following businesses wish the students of Wrangell a safe and successful school year:

The Bay Company
Bobs' IGA
Breakaway Adventures
City Market, Inc.
Petro 49

Sentry Hardware
Stikine Sportsmen
Sunrise Aviation
Tongass Federal Credit Union
Tyee Travel

Wrangell Elks Lodge #1595
Wrangell Medical Center
Wrangell Sentinel

Ocean Beauty Seafoods closes Petersburg facility

By **BRIAN VARELA**
Sentinel writer

PETERSBURG - Ocean Beauty Seafoods has announced that they'll be closing their facility in Petersburg to focus on their Excursion Inlet facility.

"They have been removing equipment out of the building for a few years, the can lines, the ice machine, so it's been coming," said Mayor Mark Jensen at the assembly meeting on Monday.

Ocean Beauty Seafoods made the decision to close the facility after reviewing their options, according to their release. Since the

facility was primarily a cannery and had limited amount of fresh and frozen fish to process daily, their other facilities at Excursion Inlet, Cordova and Kodiak Island are more suitable to keep up with their customers' demands, according to the release.

The Excursion Inlet facility has increased its daily fresh and frozen capacity over the past four years with the goal of handling most of the Southeast volume.

The Petersburg facility was used to produce salmon

caviar, canned salmon and fresh and frozen chum, coho and sock-eye salmon. During the operational season, June through September, Ocean Beauty Seafoods employed approximately 200 individuals. During the last two seasons, the plant has not operated.

An office and shop will remain open in Petersburg to assist the Ocean Beauty fleet with support, but they probably won't be

in the current facility, according to an Ocean Beauty source. Ocean Beauty wants to sell the facility and the bunk house, according to the Ocean Beauty source.

"The city of Petersburg has been very supportive of our operation for many years and we will miss having a large presence in this great community," said Ocean Beauty Seafoods president Mark Palmer in the release.

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Court: Some sex offenders don't need to register in Alaska

JUNEAU, Alaska (AP) - The Alaska Supreme Court has ruled that some sex offenders convicted outside the state are not required to register in Alaska.

The court ruled Friday that a strict reading of the 1994 Alaska Sex Offender Registration Act gives the state Department of Public Safety no leeway when deciding if out-of-state sex crimes match offenses under Alaska law, the Juneau Empire reported.

The public safety department would determine if the names of registered sex offenders who moved to Alaska would be entered into its sex offender database. It used facts from each case to figure out if a conviction matched a crime in Alaska that would require registration.

With the ruling, the department can no longer do that.

"The problem is that the Legislature used specific language when it crafted the statute requiring similarity," Chief Justice Craig Stowers wrote in a concurring opinion.

A public safety department spokesman referred questions to the state Department of Law, which declined to comment, saying the court opinion being reviewed.

The department had no restrictions in making determinations regarding the registry, said

Darryl Thompson, an attorney whose client's case was one of two that spurred the ruling. The ruling calls for legislative solutions, he said.

"Up to this point in time, the DPS has been basically unfettered," Thompson said.

Appeals by two people, who were not identified in court documents, were combined before the state Supreme Court. Both were registered as sex offenders outside Alaska. When they entered Alaska, they were required to register, but the state did not have directly similar offenses matching their convictions.

The court ruled last week that both are not required to register.



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