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Christmas Carolers sing outside of Ottesen's during Midnight Madness.

City welcomes holiday season with Midnight Madness

By CALEB VIERKANT
Sentinel writer

It was cold, the evening of Dec. 7, and at times rainy. That did not deter many Wrangell residents from coming out for Midnight Madness, however. Midnight Madness has been a Wrangell tradition for about 30 years, according to Stephanie Cook with the Wrangell Chamber of Commerce.

"I think it went pretty well, even though it was a little rainy and cold," she said. "There were lots of people who showed up and had fun."

Front Street was crowded as people hung out, shopped, and sang Christmas carols. Many stores stayed open late so people could get their Christmas shopping done. Several organizations also set up shop in the downtown pavilion. Head Start offered hot chocolate and churros. The Wrangell Volunteer Fire Department turned out to sell chili, cornbread, and popcorn, to raise money for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society. Across Front Street, several fires had been lit to help people stay warm, and to let people make s'mores. Santa Claus also made



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Lensing Hayes sitting with the Salvation Army red kettle during Midnight Madness.



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Wrangell's Christmas Tree lit up the night with lights and fireworks. The community Christmas Tree is a tradition that stretches back decades. The earliest mention of the tree lighting in the Wrangell Sentinel's records that could be found was in 1974.

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the Wrangell Chamber of
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with the lighting of the city's Christmas tree, which was set up next door to the Elks Lodge. Mayor Steve Prysunka lead the countdown. With some fireworks, the tree lit up the night. Shortly after being lit, a large gust of wind made the tree lean out into the street. Several people were made nervous about the tree actually tipping over, but it stayed upright.

"Shout out to the Wrangell light and power crew for doing all of the work for the tree. They always help us out every year and we appreciate it, we couldn't do it without them," Cook said. "And to the city for putting barricades up."

an appearance at the Stikine Inn.

The evening culminated

Birthdays & Anniversaries

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

Thursday, December 13: Tawni Fitzgerald, Adrian Kohrt, Sarah Murphy, Alysse Maxand. *Anniversary:* Chris and Shannon Barnett, Steve and Beverly Angerman. **Friday, December 14:** Bill Messmer. *Anniversary:* Mark and Heidi Armstrong. **Saturday, December 15:** Anniversary: Richard and Nicole Taylor. **Sunday, December 16:** Matt Robinson, Jeff Jabusch, Jennifer Wiederspohn, Angus Booker, Brogan Booker. **Monday, December 17:** Karin Nesbitt, Amber Mann, Pam McGee, Danny Sims, Sophia O'Brien. **Tuesday, December 18:** Boomchain Loucks, Jenna Eastaugh, Garren Cooper, Cherie Young, Randy Barlow. *Anniversary:* Chet and Lois Powell. **Wednesday, December 19:** Jason Chris, Gemi Wright, Chuck Hay. *Anniversary:* Clay and Holly Hammer. **Thursday, December 20:** Aliyah Kemfield, Caity Shafer, Marrison Williams, Logan Vergilio, Traci Campbell, Danelle Barlow. *Anniversary:* Ken and Tammy Davidson.

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

Senior Center Menu

Thursday, December 13

New England Clam Chowder, 1/2 Ham Sandwich, Danish Salad

Friday, December 14

Beef Spanish Rice, Brussel Sprouts, Carrot Raisin Salad

Monday, December 17

Beef & Veggie Soup, Citrus Cup, 1/2 Cheese Sandwich

Tuesday, December 18

Chinese Fruited Pork, Oriental Veggies, Cucumber Onion Salad, Rice Pilaf

Wednesday, December 19

Flaky Turkey Pot Pie, Broccoli, Pineapple w/ Cottage Cheese, Cracked Wheat Roll

Thursday, December 20

1/2 French Dip, Peas, Apricot Salad, Au Gratin Potatoes

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, December 15

Malaspina 4:30 a.m.

Sunday, December 16

Columbia 3:45 p.m.

Wednesday, December 19

Malaspina 12:00 a.m.

Saturday, December 22

Malaspina 8:00 a.m.

Sunday, December 23

Columbia 9:15 p.m.

Southbound

Friday, December 14

Malaspina 2:15 p.m.

Monday, December 17

Malaspina 9:15 a.m.

Wednesday, December 19

Columbia 2:45 a.m.

Friday, December 21

Malaspina 4:45 p.m.

Monday, December 24

Malaspina 3:15 p.m.

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



TIDES Dec. 13 - Dec. 20

	High Tides		Low Tides					
	AM Time	PM Time	AM Time	PM Time	AM Time	PM Time		
December 13	4:43	12.9	4:13	13.0	10:11	5.5	10:40	1.8
December 14	5:36	12.8	5:13	12.0	11:10	5.7	11:32	2.5
December 15	6:35	12.9	6:31	11.5	12:19	5.4
December 16	7:34	13.5	7:51	11.5	0:29	3.1	1:30	4.6
December 17	8:27	14.3	8:58	12.1	1:31	3.4	2:37	3.4
December 18	9:14	15.3	9:56	13.0	2:31	3.4	3:34	1.8
December 19	9:58	16.3	10:47	13.9	3:28	3.2	4:24	0.1
December 20	10:40	17.3	11:34	14.8	4:19	2.9	5:08	-1.5

Wrangell Roundup: Special Events

Thursday, December 13

Elementary Concert K-5: Elementary Gym, 7 p.m. Students arrive by 6:45 p.m. for prompt 7 p.m. start.

Saturday, December 15

Community Roots Meeting: Stikine Inn, 3:00 p.m.

Monday, December 17

Meeting of the Association/WCA Christmas Party: Nolan Center, 5:30 p.m. The party will be a combination of the WCA Christmas Party, meeting of the Association and Administrative for Native Americans Bi-Annual Meeting.

Monday, December 17

Regular School Board Meeting: Evergreen Elementary School Gyne, 6:30 p.m. Please enter through gym doors. The agenda for the meeting will be available online four days prior to the meeting at <https://www.boarddocs.com/ak/wrangell/Board.nsf>. The public is encouraged to attend.

Thursday, December 27

Riverflats Open Mic Night: Nolan Center, 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 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: 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.

December 12, 1918

Wrangell celebrated Britain Day Saturday with a whole-hearted enthusiasm that made the occasion one to be remembered. In the business section British flags mingled everywhere with the Stars and Stripes and at noon all stores closed for the balance of the day.

Elaborate arrangements for the evening's entertainment had been made and a large gathering was assembled at Redmen Hall.

A chorus of young ladies consisting of the Misses Irene Coulter, Marjorie Schaffer, Hattie Anderson and Florence Billion with Miss Ruther Lindman at the piano led the singing of the Star Spangled Banner as the opening number. Mayor Matheson who was to preside at the meeting was unable to be present owing to a sudden indisposition and F. E. Bronson took his place.

December 10, 1943

Annual Christmas Seal sales have to date brought in \$260.00 in Wrangell to help swell the Territorial funds used in combating tuberculosis in the Territory, according to Mrs. E. M. Campbell, Tuberculosis Drive chairman. The money is to be used to help provide wider education, earlier diagnosis, better treatment and more hospitals to care for victims of the disease. This is the largest amount that Wrangell has raised for the drive in recent years.

George T. Barrett, Principal of Wrangell Institute, announces that students of that institution donated \$92.00 toward the fund

and Mrs. Campbell says that those still wishing to contribute toward his worthy cause may yet do so. Contributions should be sent to Mrs. Campbell in care of Campbell Bros. store.

December 12, 1968

Wrangell residents will be seeing the Angel Gabriel this Christmas season.

This year's six-cent Christmas stamp will reproduce a portion of "The Annunciation" by Jan Van Eyck, the great 15th century Flemish artist. The painting is one of the major works in the National Gallery of Art in Washington, D.C.

December 12, 1993

Wrangell's Native community is still seeking leads on the whereabouts of a piece of century-old totem removed while the pole was in storage.

A raven carving was removed from one totem pole stored in

the basement of the Wrangell Institute, according to Marge Byrd, president of the Indian Reorganization Act.

Byrd said that the totem pole was stored, along with others, for about five years. She said the raven could have been removed at any time during that period. The top of the pole was also vandalized, but Byrd said it is thought that it can be repaired.

The missing raven, which was part of a totem pole Byrd said was carved sometime in the 19th century, is primarily black, but has some blue paint on it as well. Byrd said no monetary value could be placed on the missing carving. "It came off a pole that's an original, so it's very valuable, not only as an artifact, but very valuable to the Tlingit people of Wrangell as part of their heritage," Byrd explained.

Wrangell Weather

Date	High	Low
Dec. 03	30	26
Dec. 04	36	30
Dec. 05	32	26
Dec. 06	35	26
Dec. 07	45	30
Dec. 08	48	37
Dec. 09	51	41
Dec. 10	42	39

Daylight Hours

Date	Sunrise	Sunset	Daylight
Dec 13	8:10 am	3:13 pm	7:03h
Dec 14	8:11 am	3:13 pm	7:02h
Dec 15	8:12 am	3:13 pm	7:01h
Dec 16	8:13 am	3:13 pm	7:00h
Dec 17	8:14 am	3:13 pm	6:59h
Dec 18	8:15 am	3:13 pm	6:58h
Dec 19	8:15 am	3:14 pm	6:59h
Dec 20	8:16 am	3:14 pm	6:58h

City goes dark during brief power outage

By CALEB VIERKANT
Sentinel writer

The City of Wrangell was thrown into darkness for about forty-five minutes the evening of Nov. 6. At about 4:45 p.m., power to the city went out. Several buildings were able to keep their lights on thanks to backup generators, but most of

the city went dark. Light was restored less than an hour later. Streetlights came on first, followed by power to buildings around Front Street and then up the hill through the rest of town. For the most part, city residents took the power outage in stride. People on the street could be heard commenting on how well the stars could be seen in the sky, and on social media several people were joking about whether they had forgotten to pay their electric bill.

Mark Armstrong, with Wrangell Municipal Light & Power, said that the power outage was due to some of the city's generators shutting off. This caused the rest of the generators, which were

still operating, to shut down automatically to avoid breaking from putting too much demand on them. He said that they had been upgrading control panels to the generators, and the shut-down was caused by a minor complication during the process.

"We've been doing some upgrades to our generators," he said. "Basically what happened is the generators lost power. As they shut down, there was more demand than there was supply."

Armstrong added that the issue that caused the blackout was identified and corrected. Upgrades to the generators' control panels were completed on the morning of Fri., Nov. 7.



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Parking: Verbal warning for obstructing traffic.

Two traffic stops: Verbal

warning for faulty equipment.

December 4, 2018

Welfare check.

Agency assist: Fire department chimney fire.

Traffic stop: Verbal warning for no turn signal.

December 5, 2018

Agency assist.

Parking complaint: Vehicle has been moved.

Illegal parking: Verbal warning given for parking in the school bus loading zone.

Traffic stop: Verbal warning

given for driving habits.

Health and safety: Source of the smell was located. It was legitimate and not someone burning plastic.

Gunshots or fireworks: UTL most likely fireworks.

Traffic stop citation issued: Kathryn Smith, 46. Failure to provide proof of insurance - has insurance, citation voided.

December 6, 2018

Extra patrol request.

Agency assist: OCS

Harassment: Person was warned about harassing employees.

Two traffic stops: Verbal warning for faulty equipment.

December 7, 2018

Agency assist: Alarm.

Agency assist: EMTs.

Citizen assist.

Report of theft.

Traffic stop: Verbal warning for driving habits.

December 8, 2018

Agency assist: Alarm.

Traffic stop: Verbal warning for faulty equipment.

Disturbance.

Verbal dispute.

Agency assist: Electrical.

Phone harassment.

December 9, 2018

Harassment.

Agency assist: Alarm.

Traffic stop: Citation issued to Jimmy Pritchett, 38. Failure to stop, and verbal warning for not carrying driver's license.

Agency assist: EMTs.

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Parks and Rec board discusses ping-pong, strategic planning workshop

By CALEB VIERKANT
Sentinel writer

The Parks and Recreation Advisory Board met on the evening of Wed., Dec. 5. It was the first meeting for two new members of the board, Annya Ritchie and Keeleigh Morelli.

One of the first items on the agenda was board member reports, about parks and recreation related events or ideas in Wrangell. Ritchie, who is also a member of the school board, reported that the school is in the process of looking at its PE and health curriculum. She said she has been looking into ways the school system and the Parks and Rec department could be more integrated and collaborative.

Demerjian also reported on an idea for a new project for the department. He said that, for very little cost, the Parks and Rec department could purchase some ping-pong tables. He said that ping-pong was a very cardio-friendly activity, and was enjoyed by people of all ages. He said the tables could be easily stored and used in the old community classroom across from the gym, or the racquetball court when it is not in use.

The board was unanimously in favor of the ping-pong idea, saying that it would be good for people wanting to stay healthy, and would also be a fun activity for teen



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The Parks and Recreation Advisory Board met last week, with two new members. From left to right, in the front row, are Annya Ritchie, Keeleigh Morelli, Haig Demerjian, and Holly Owens. Standing in the back are Cindy Martin and Kate Thomas.

night. They all agreed the idea was worth looking into. It was decided to discuss the idea further in their next meeting in January.

The advisory board also discussed holding a strategic plan workshop in the near future, to better visualize what direction the Parks and Rec department should go in and what steps were needed to get

there. The board discussed what kind of information they should gather, such as financial information and needs assessments. After some discussion about what the workshop would look like, the board agreed to meet on Feb. 9, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Lunch will be provided, said Director of the Parks and Recreation Department Kate Thomas. The public will also be welcome to attend, she added.

The board also discussed alternative ideas to committee structures, as well as the possible resurfacing of Volunteer

Trail before adjourning. The next advisory board meeting will take place in January.

Wrangell Swimming Pool Closed for Maintenance

Thursday,
December 13, 2018
till Sunday,
January 6, 2019



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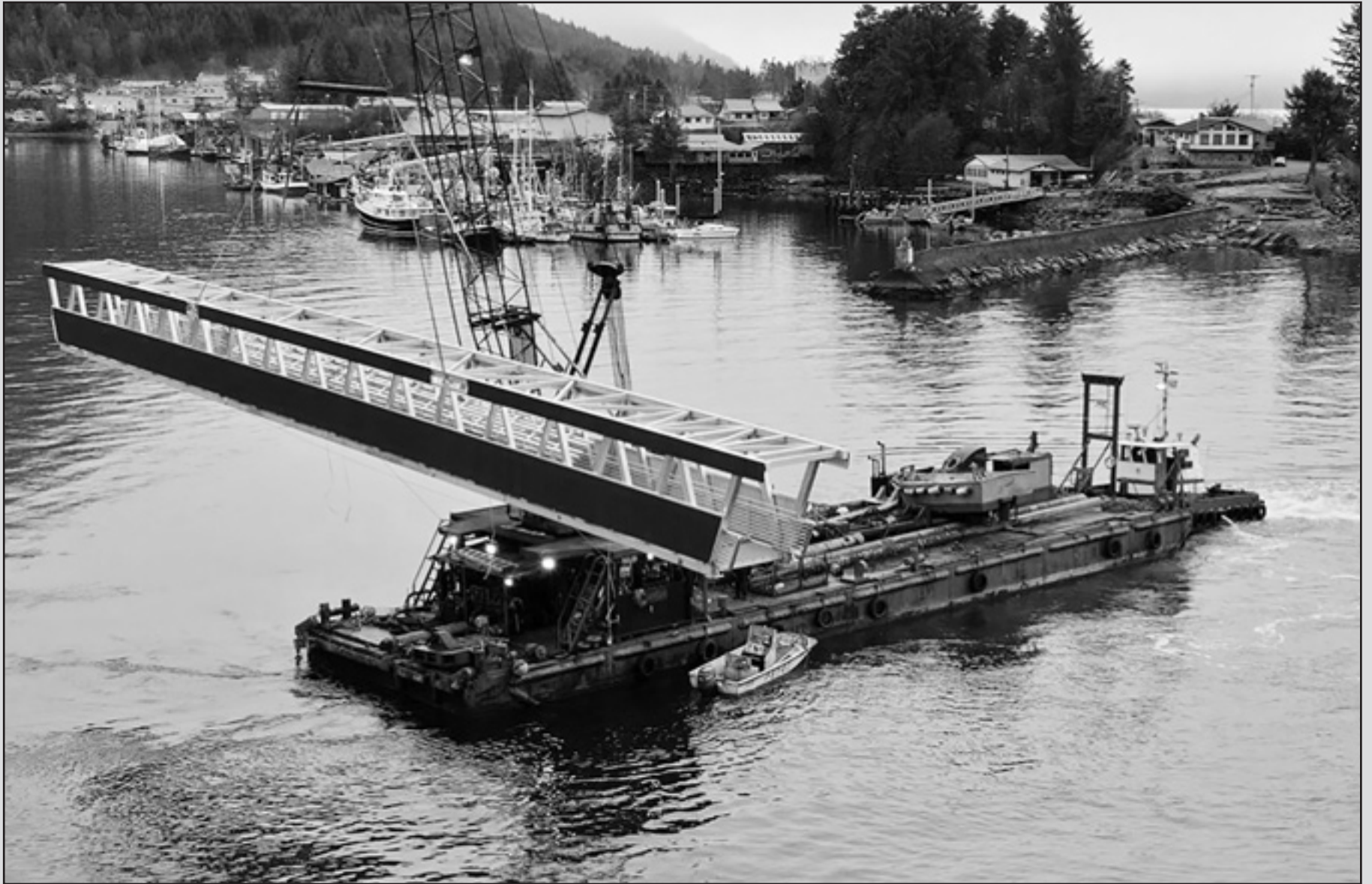
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8) Winners will be announced in the December 20th edition of the Sentinel and displayed in the store for one week.

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Ramp delivered for Shoemaker project

The new ramp for Shoemaker Bay Harbor, measuring 132 feet, was delivered to Wrangell on Dec. 4. The harbor has been undergoing renovations since September, which are expected to be complete sometime next summer.

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Wrestling team finishes third in Regionals, nine wrestlers going to State

By CALEB VIERKANT
Sentinel writer

The Wrangell Wolves wrestling team had a good

showing at the regional tournament last week in Juneau. Going against 10 other teams in the tournament, Wrangell was able to walk away with a third place finish. They were only 10 points shy of second place, according to Assistant Coach Jack Carney, which went to Craig High School. Mt. Edgecumbe took first place.

Among the team, five wrestlers were able to claim first place in their brackets: Ryan Rooney in the 103 bracket, Jonah Comstock in the 112 bracket, Liana Carney in the 112G bracket, Hunter Wiederspohn in the 152 bracket, and Dillon Rooney in the 189 bracket.

Carney pointed out that with this past tournament, Comstock is now a three-time re-




PHOTO COURTESY OF KLAS STOLPE

Wrangell's Liana Carney, bottom, and Petersburg's Ruby Massin, top, grapple in a finals match at the Sitka Scramble on Saturday. Carney won the match 11-9, improving her season record to 28-1 and is a favorite to win the 119-pound title at the Southeast Region V Championships in Juneau this weekend. Massin has a 17-1 season record and is a favorite to win the 125 pound weight division.

gional champ, and Dillon Rooney is a two-time regional champ.

Ryan Rooney also won the "Outstanding Wrestler" award at the tournament. Carney said



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At the regional tournament in Juneau last week, Wrangell Wolves freshman wrestler Ryan Rooney (center) was voted "Outstanding Wrestler" in his division.

that this was a terrific accomplishment for a freshman wrestler. He added that Ryan Rooney is currently ranked No. 1 in the state.

"Coaches look at who had a good tournament, but who also had a really good season overall," he said.

Now that Regionals are finished, the only thing left in the season is the state competition in Anchorage, which will take place on Dec. 14 and 15. Six Wrangell wrestlers qualified to attend the tournament. An additional three wrestlers were also invited to compete for their performance. This means that a total of 9 out of 11 wrestlers will be at the state tournament, Carney said.

"That's phenomenal, in an individual sport, for 9 out of 11

to qualify themselves for State."

Joining the five regional champions at the state tournament are Fenton Jim, Jake Eastaugh, Rowen Wiederspohn, and Elizabeth Johnson. Carney said that he is predicting the Wrangell Wolves will finish in the top seven at State, and among the top three 2A teams. He added that he is very proud of his team's performance through the entire season, especially considering that the Wrangell Wolves only had four returning wrestlers this season. It showed how much effort the largely freshman team was making to compete at such a high level.

"I'm really impressed with how hard this team is performing," he said.

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Alaska Fish Factor

By LAINE WELCH
Fisheries columnist

Salmon Sisters add wild salmon Skin Serum as first wellness product to popular line of ocean-themed goods

An Alaskan sisterhood of sorts is advancing a line of tundra botanicals mixed with the sea to create potent anti-aging skin care products bearing the best of both.

A wild salmon Skin Serum is the first wellness product the Salmon Sisters have added to their popular line that features original designs on clothing and other ocean-themed goods.

"We love how smooth and light it feels. There are beautiful notes of crowberries, which we picked throughout our childhood on the tundra behind our homestead to make jam and pies. It doesn't smell fishy, but the salmon oil gives it a silkiness that feels very nostalgic of Alaskan summers at fish camp," said Emma Teal Laukitis.

She and sister Claire Neaton of Homer have become two of Alaska's most well-known seafood industry ambassadors with features in Vogue, a Microsoft television ad, Forbes' 30 under 30 list, and their now famous legacy designs on XtraTuf boots.

The crowberries in the serum are gathered from the tundra by the Sparck triplets, along with fireweed and Arctic sage (or "Ciaggluk," meaning "nothing bad about it,") explained Michelle (Macuarr'uq) of Chevak, who along with Cika (Ji-kah) and Amy (Kelama) operate ArXotica. Along with their own Quyung-lii brand, the Sparck sisters are producing the Skin Serum for the Salmon Sisters.

ArXotica has gained fame since 2006 for its "Tundra Lov-



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Brailer bag gown

ing Care" products that "harness the unparalleled properties of extreme environment flora to create a super status skin care line."

"Right now we are working with the Salmon Sisters' vision, and they are very good at design and packaging and marketing. We are hoping they will add their own magic touch to their skin care line," said Michelle.

"We love ArXotica products because they are made with ingredients unique to our state with a rich history of wellness and healing," said Emma. "We have grown up with the wholistic benefits of wild Alaska salmon and their nutrients allow us to stay sharp and healthy and feel beautiful. It is

covered a skin softening enzyme called zonase in the hatching fluid of salmon eggs that helps digest the protein structure of the shells without harming the tiny fish. A company called Aqua Bio Technology uses the enzyme in its AquaBeautine XL skin care lotion.

ArXotica is now expanding into men's and unisex products using their anti-aging serums mixed with ground mammoth tooth and will soon introduce a bearded seal oil item.

"It's for men's beards. There's no seal in it but we're playing on an item that people still eat out in western Alaska," Michelle said with a laugh.

Naknek Plans Expo #3 - It's months away but plans already are underway for the third Bristol Bay Fish Expo on June 9 and 10 in Naknek.

Naknek swells from about 400 to 12,000 people as the world's biggest sockeye fishery gets underway each summer, and it's the hub for 10 major processors and a fleet of nearly 1000 boats.

Bringing the industry and community together is a main impetus for the event; the bigger goal is to raise money for Little Angels Childcare Acad-

emy.

"We are so fortunate because unlike many nonprofits that are always concerned about income, thanks to the Fish Expo we are doing very well," said Katie Copps, event co-organizer, adding that after expenses, about \$35,000 was raised for childcare last year.

One of the biggest money makers and fan favorites is a fashion show that includes wearable art. (A brailer bag ball gown by Nomar of Homer stole the show last year.) The fashions and hundreds more donated items are sold at live

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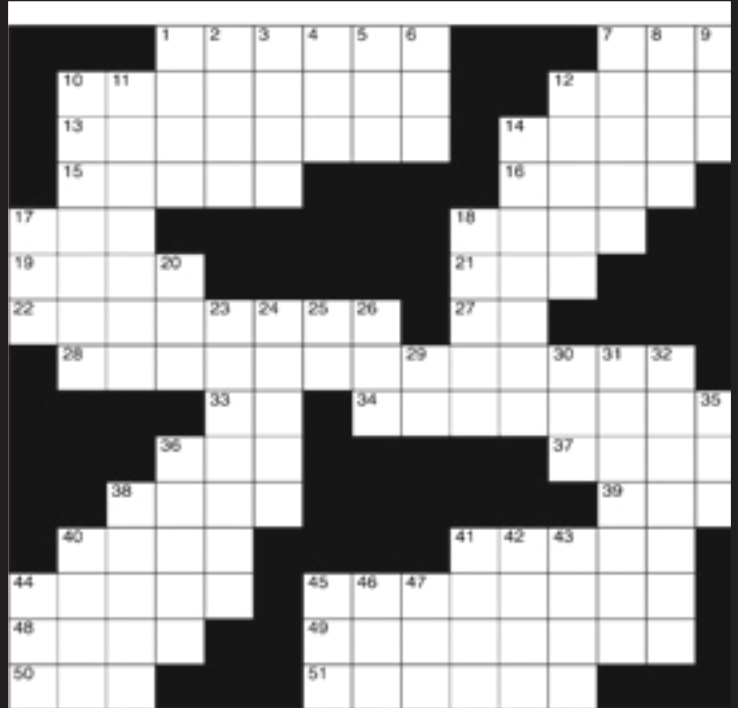
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CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Doctor's clothes
- 7. NYC ballplayer
- 10. Flying vessels
- 12. Created
- 13. Convert
- 14. WWII battle
- 15. A cravat with wide square ends
- 16. Month in the Jewish calendar
- 17. Value
- 18. Brews
- 19. Child's eating accessory
- 21. Arrived extinct
- 22. Of the sea
- 27. Potato state
- 28. Leading man
- 33. Blood type
- 34. Oppressed
- 36. "Much __ about nothing"
- 37. World's longest river
- 38. deGrom and Sale are two
- 39. Crafty
- 40. At all times
- 41. Twins great Hunter
- 44. Volcanic craters
- 45. Outpouring
- 48. Where a baby sleeps
- 49. Dancing a Brazilian dance
- 50. Unhealthy
- 51. Manufacturers

CLUES DOWN

- 1. Prevents harm to young
- 2. The Muse of history
- 3. Fascinated by
- 4. Unnilhexium
- 5. Honey maker
- 6. Soviet Socialist Republic
- 7. They hang out with papas
- 8. German river
- 9. Domain name
- 10. Type of chair
- 11. Fill someone with an urge
- 12. Sorceress
- 14. Unpleasant smell
- 17. Leg (slang)
- 18. Farewell
- 20. A life summary
- 23. Merchants
- 24. Southeastern Nigerians
- 25. Of I
- 26. Electronic countermeasures
- 29. Atomic #3 (abbr.)
- 30. A type of sister
- 31. Omission of a sound
- 32. Screaming
- 35. Ottoman title
- 36. Sour
- 38. Take advantage of
- 40. Nobleman
- 41. Cathode ray was one
- 42. Long, winding ridge
- 43. Muckraking journalist
- 44. Defunct phone company
- 45. Military telecommunications term (abbr.)
- 46. Supervises flying
- 47. Firearms manufacturer

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Puzzle answers will be in the December 20 edition



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Christmas at the Library

Wrangell kids were invited to the Irene Ingle Library to celebrate Christmas last Thursday. They got to read Christmas stories, sing songs, and eat some cookies. Santa Claus, himself, also made a surprise appearance to say Merry Christmas and to pass out candy.

Fish Factor

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and silent auctions. Last year 56 exhibitors were on the show floor and Copps said room is being made for more, along with added food booths.

Donations and for the fashion show, auction and sponsors are being accepted now. Early sign ups can choose their space from a floor plan at www.bristolbayfishexpo.com/

Blue economy buzz: Using robots and bioengineered bacteria to refurbish old fishing boats took top honors at the recent Ocean Technology Innovation Sprint (OTIS) at the Loussac Library in Anchorage. The Google inspired sprint concept, hosted by the Alaska Ocean Cluster, brings entrepreneurs together to create prototype solutions to challenges of their choice within a set time.

The OTIS event attracted 16 people who split into four teams over four weeks. Team Silver's winning First Step Marine Refurbishment prototype was designed to create more value for Alaska's aging fleet of fishing boats and other vessels by using robotics and bac-

teria to remove hull fouling, pollutants and paint.

Team King came up with a FishStat Alaska Wet Ruler, a phone app that manages fishing licenses and regulations, identifies fish, and more.

"It measures your catch, records where you caught it - it's an alternative to traditional methods and makes it quick and easy in the field," said Meg Pritchard, marketing and communications manager for the AOC.

Team Coho conceptualized an Alaska Marine Biotechnology Institute that focuses on uses for sea organisms and systems.

The Fan Favorite was Team Sockeye's Happy Clam Portable PSP Tester. Just swab the shellfish with a test strip and the kit tells if it is safe to eat.

The Alaska Ocean Cluster is modeled after a program that began decades ago in Iceland to connect entrepreneurs, academia and businesses and bring blue economy ideas to fruition. The Alaska Cluster acts as a mentor for incubating new businesses.

"For people who want to

keep going we have other programs, like our Blue Pipeline Initiative and our scale accelerator that takes viable business ideas and helps them scale up," Pritchard said.

The Cluster also hosts Ocean Tuesdays, a weekly webinar platform open to all to exchange blue economy ideas in Alaska and globally.

The Alaska Ocean Cluster is funded by the Bering Sea Fishermen's Association in partnership with the University of Alaska's Economic Development and Business Enterprise Institute.

Commissioner call - The Joint Board of Fisheries and Game is recruiting for nominees for Commissioner of the Alaska Department of Fish and Game through December 14. The contact is glenn.haight@alaska.gov, 907-465-4110. Meanwhile, Governor Mike Dunleavy has appointed Doug Vincent-Lang as Acting ADF&G Commissioner. He has over 30 years' experience in wildlife research and management and as a sportfish research biologist.#

Hoop Shoot sees almost 50 participants

By CALEB VIERKANT
Sentinel writer

Wrangell's Elks Lodge hosted its annual Hoop Shoot last Saturday. The community gym was packed with kids participating in the free throw contest, and supportive family members and friends in the bleachers. The Hoop Shoot is a yearly event hosted by Elks lodges across the country for children ages eight to 13.

Jeff Jabusch, who helped organize the event, said that each child participating in the Hoop Shoot is given 25 chances to make as many free throws as possible. The first place winners of each age category, a boy and a girl, are then given 15 more free throws. Jabusch explained that the additional shots are for state reasons, to help make sure there aren't any ties when the Elks organization is determining which children can advance in the Hoop Shoot tournament.

There were a total of 45 chil-

dren who participated in the Wrangell Hoop Shoot, 23 girls and 22 boys. There were three age categories: eight to nine-year-olds, 10 to 11-year-olds, and 12 to 13-year-olds. Alexis Easterly and Aadyn Gillen both took first place in the youngest category. In the 10 to 11-year-olds category, first place went to Alana Harrison and Cody Barnes. Lastly, Kiara and Daniel Harrison both took first place in the 12 to 13-year-olds category.

All the participants were given free basketballs, and were also invited to the Elks' lodge for a hamburger lunch. The first, second, and third place finishers will all receive trophies during halftime at the high school basketball team's first home game on Jan. 11. Depending on their scores, some of the children could also have the opportunity to participate in a regional contest in Vancouver, Washington, Jabusch said.



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Daniel Harrison finished in first place in the boys' 12 to 13-year-olds category.

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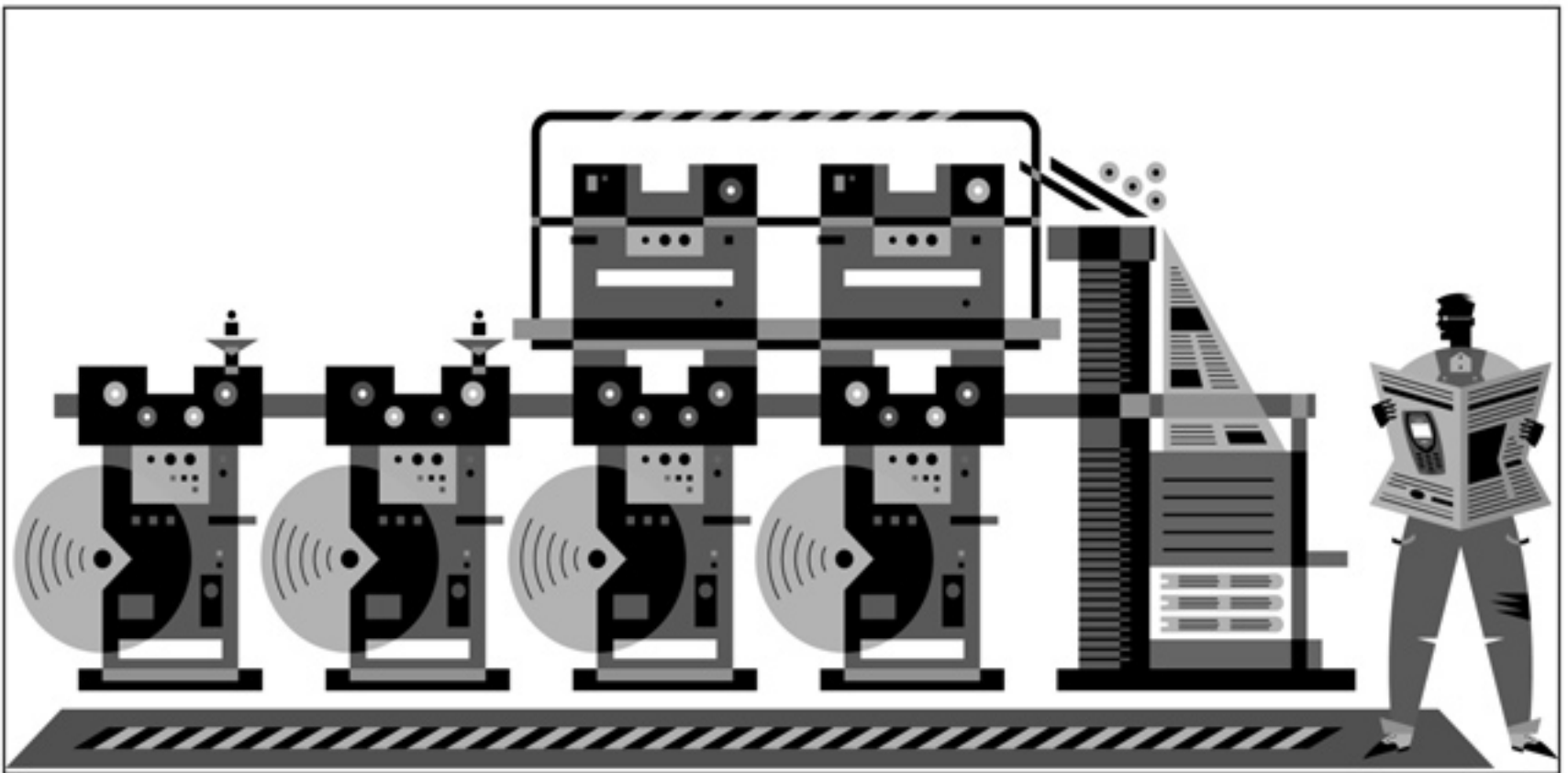
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Assembly workshops legislative priorities, discusses drug abuse

By CALEB VIERKANT
Sentinel writer

It was a busy night for the Wrangell Borough Assembly Wednesday. State Representative Dan Ortiz came to town to be a part of a workshop with city leaders over what Wrangell's legislative priorities for 2019 would be.

A draft document was provided for the workshop, listing things at the state and federal level of government that the assembly felt were important for Wrangell. The draft of priorities included items like the adoption of a sustainable budget plan across the state, school debt reimbursement, and avoiding reductions in the shared fisheries tax. Pollution in transboundary waters was also discussed. Another priority that was discussed included amendments to the Marine Mammal Protection Act, which would allow communities like Wrangell to better control the sea otter population. The increasing number of sea otters in Southeast Alaskan waters is a danger to the viability of shellfish and mariculture fisheries' viability, the document read. A mass die-off of sea otters is a potential danger, as well, should their food sources become too devastated.

Another priority the assembly felt was important was the reinstatement of "state positions critical to Wrangell." Over the past decade, according to the document, Wrangell has

seen the positions of public health nurse, magistrate, and child welfare case worker taken away from the island. These positions have not been eliminated, the document states, but consolidated in the city of Petersburg. It was important for Wrangell to have people in these important positions actually within the city, not an island over. It was unacceptable, Mayor Steve Prysunka said, that Wrangell was being turned into a satellite of Petersburg.

After the workshop, and a brief recess, the assembly gathered for a regular meeting. Drug use in Wrangell was a major topic of discussion during this meeting. Guadalupe Rogers spoke during the public comments section of the meeting. She informed the assembly that, about a week and a half ago, a used syringe was found near Alaska Housing. She said that the discarded needle spoke to the city's drug problem, and asked that the city keep aware of the issue, and that they work to nip the problem in the bud before it grew further.

Wrangell Chief of Police Doug McCloskey was present at the meeting as well, to give a police report to the assembly. He spoke about drug abuse in Wrangell, and informed the city that, in his opinion, the drug problem in the city was not as bad as others might make it out to be. He admitted there was a problem, but said that for the past two or three years it had



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Baby Raven Reads at Head Start

Head Start hosted "Baby Raven Reads" this past Saturday morning. Baby Raven Reads, according to Community Liason Delila Ramirez, is a program by the Sealaska Heritage Institute to promote literacy and language development in native children. The program involved lots of fun activities for the children who attended, like listening to stories, singing, and playing games. Virginia Oliver (left) and Lu Knapp (right) were two of the volunteers helping the program last Saturday.

not gotten any worse. In the past year, he said, about six or seven syringes had been found and tested for drugs, meth and opiates most commonly, in Wrangell. There was not a huge uptick in drug use, he said. However, he also added that people are able to turn in their drugs, prescription or other-

wise, to the police without fear of trouble. The police have a tip line, as well, where people can report illegal activities. The best thing Wrangell can do to combat drug use, he said, is for everyone to be united in condemnation of the activity.

Other items covered in the meeting include an amendment

to the 2019 budget in the water fund by \$14,000 for expenditures and authorize its expenditure, an agreement with Municode for online agenda solutions at the annual cost of \$2,200, and a discussion of flood and earthquake insurance for all city and borough facilities.



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