

Teller Job Fair

by Dawn Salesky, Vice President of Education, Employment & Training



The Teller Job Fair was held August 29. Students and adults of all ages were invited. There were 35 visitors from 16 organizations that attended. Students from Brevig Mission High School also came to the event.

There were many informational tables and workshops offered this year. The Kawerak Family Services Program conducted a session on personal finances, the Kawerak Youth First Initiative Program held a workshop on how to find and register for jobs online and the Kawerak E-Commerce Center conducted a workshop on how to market small business products on E-Bay. Other workshops included how to take online community courses using "Elluminate Live," what is Job Corps, and how to apply for NACTEC courses.

This was a fun and informational event that we hope to be invited to other communities this year. If your community would like to host a job fair contact Dawn Salesky at 1(800)450-4341 or send an email to dsalesky@kawerak.org.

The organizations represented at the Teller Job Fair were:

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| Alaska Comm. Postsecondary Ed. | Norton Sound Health Corp. |
| Alaska Village Electric Coop. | Novagold |
| Bering Strait School District | UAF Northwest Campus |
| Boynnton Office Systems | U.S. Coast Guard |
| G.C.I. | U.S. Department of Agriculture |
| Job Corps | U.S. Department of Labor |
| Kawerak, Inc. | U.S. National Park Service |
| N.A.C.T.E.C. | Wells Fargo |

Pictured top left are students and staff at the Job Corps' booth. **Top right** are students & Alaska Commission on Postsecondary Education staff. **To the right** are Thomas and Donald Weyanna at the Northwest Campus Elluminate Live workshop. This simultaneous, interactive, web-based delivery mode provides courses to rural students throughout the Bering Strait Region and Alaska.



N.S.E.D.C. Jumpstarts Rural Business Ideas into Reality

By Barb Nickels, Community Planning and Development Director

Norton Sound Economic Development Corporation (NSED) Board of Directors awarded \$105,000 in their inaugural 2008 Small Business Initiative. The **NSED Small Business Initiative** is an avenue for individuals to promote and develop business ventures in an effort to help alleviate social and economic issues. The Small Business Initiative is patterned after the Alaska Federation of Natives highly regarded "Alaska Marketplace" and funds business ideas that facilitate economic development in the our region. The program was promoted through many venues, including village site visits by NSED staff and Kawerak's Community Planning & Development (CPD) program to encourage those with small busi-

ness ideas to apply. Seventeen applications were received. A partnership was formed with Kawerak's CPD program to provide technical assistance to applicants with research and developing business plans. CPD is also providing on-going mentorship to those who are awarded to ensure their ideas are successfully implemented.

The independent judge's panel was chosen because of their individual expertise in the business world and their involvement within the region. The judges were Barb Nickels, Director of Kawerak CPD, Heidi Erikson and Mary Knodel, regional business owners, Roy Agloinga, former Mayor of White Mountain, and Mark Johnson, CPA.



The application categories were: 1) **Regional Relevance** - does the business idea exemplify regional values? 2) **Economic Stimulation and Job Creation**- how will the business stimulate the economy and create employment opportu-

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Council Training Provided to All Tribes

Kawerak, Inc. Tribal Affairs Department contracted with Alaska Village Initiatives to provide council training to all the tribes that we serve. Charles Parker, a facilitator with AVI, provided council trainings in all the villages during August and September. The training focused on the top three training needs that were chosen from the survey that was sent out in February, topics included:

- Board and Management Roles & Responsibilities,
 - Robert's Rules of Order and
 - Reading Financial Statements/Basic Accounting Principles.
- The schedule was set for one day of training in each village and was a great opportunity for the councils.

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| August 23 rd – Solomon & Council | September 9 th – Savoonga |
| August 25 th – Wales | September 10 th – White Mountain |
| August 26 th – Teller & Mary's Igloo | September 11 th – Golovin |
| August 27 th – Brevig | September 22 nd – Elim |
| September 2 nd – Stebbins | September 23 rd – Koyuk |
| September 3 rd – St. Michael | September 24 th – Shaktoolik |
| September 4 th – Unalakleet | September 25 th – King Island |
| September 8 th – Shishmaref | |



Pictured is Charles Parker with Alaska Village Initiatives and White Mountain Tribal Council members from the September 10 training session.

Run, Jump, Dance . . . Back-to-School Bash in Savoonga a Success!

by Alice Bioff, Norton Sound Health Corporation, Patient Benefits Manager

Patient Benefits Summer Intern Brienne Gologergen with assistance from full time Patient Benefits Specialist, Tisha Kingeekuk increased awareness regarding the importance of Denali KidCare/Medicaid through a "Back-to-School Bash" event held in Savoonga on August 13. This event, a first for this region, was an unparalleled success thanks to Brienne, Tisha and others who dedicated their time, efforts and donations to prepare for the "Bash."

Brienne was hired as a full time summer intern through a partnership between Norton Sound Health Corporation (NSHC) and Kawerak, Inc. Her mission for the summer was to organize an outreach event that would bring attention

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Pictured above is Elvin and MaryAnn Noongwook are performing with the Savoonga Dance Group.

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"Building on the Inherent Strength of Our Cultural Values, We Shall Assist Our Tribes to Take Control of Their Future."

In keeping with this Vision Statement, Kawerak is increasing training and technical assistance services to tribes.

Kawerak Divisions are:
 Community Services
 Employment, Education & Training
 Children and Family Services; and
 Natural Resources.

- SERVING THE VILLAGES OF:
 BREVIG MISSION
 COUNCIL
 DIOMEDE
 ELIM
 GAMBELL
 GOLOVIN
 KING ISLAND
 KOYUK
 MARY'S IGLOO
 NOME
 SAVOONGA
 SHAKTOOLIK
 SHISHMAREF
 SOLOMON
 STEBBINS
 ST. MICHAEL
 TELLER
 UNALAKLEET
 WALES
 WHITE MOUNTAIN

Child Advocacy Center sponsors the Children's Bill of Rights

The Child Advocacy Center is pleased to bring to your attention the *Native Children's Bill of Rights Proclamation* that can be passed by the tribes of the Bering Strait Region. There is no reason why we cannot provide these inherent rights to our most treasured asset—our **Alaska Native**

Children. If your community or organization would like to pass the *Native Children's Bill of Rights*, please call Monica Chase, CAC Educator at 907-443-4376 or email your request to mchase@kawerak.org.

NATIVE CHILDREN'S BILL OF RIGHTS

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, we the members of the Native Village of _____ recognize our moral, social, spiritual and financial responsibility to protect and provide for the needs of the children of our nation; and

WHEREAS, we believe that all children are created with the inherent right to be safe, to be loved and nurtured, and to have adequate health care, nutrition and shelter; and

WHEREAS, we believe that each child has the right to be free of physical or emotional abuse, to be protected from sexual abuse and exploitation, and to be free from neglect, discrimination and the demeaning or destructive acts of others; and

WHEREAS, all our children have the right to a name and tribal identity, and the right not to be separated from his/her birth parents and to know their extended family and community, which are an important part of the child's tribal identity as well as essential to assure our survival as a people; and

WHEREAS, all our children have the right to learn about and benefit from our tribal history, culture, language, spiritual traditions and philosophy; and

WHEREAS, we believe that parents have primary responsibility for providing their children with proper prenatal care, ongoing age-appropriate physical and emotional care, including emotional nurturing, adequate food, shelter, education, health care; and

WHEREAS, we believe that parents have an absolute responsibility to provide their children with a safe and healthy home and child care environments, to teach their children safety skills, and to provide appropriate supervision; and

WHEREAS, we believe that we too have a responsibility to assure that the children of our tribe have a standard of health, safety, education, and nurturing necessary to assist them in gaining healthy values and behaviors which will help them mature into healthy and productive members of our tribal community; and

WHEREAS, we believe that the treatment of children, and therefore the welfare of our tribal children is the responsibility of the entire community, and that this responsibility extends to all the Native children who reside in our community, regardless of their tribal origins or their length of residence; and

WHEREAS, we recognize that domestic violence, substance abuse, lack of su-

pervision, inadequate medical care and physical or emotional neglect may result in far-reaching and traumatizing effects on a child's physical and emotional growth and development; and

WHEREAS, maltreated, neglected, parentless and traumatized children often need special care, treatment and support in a way that promotes their healing and safety, as well as their sense of dignity, value and future well-being.

The Native Village of _____ issues and proclaims this **Children's Bill of Rights** in order to assure that all of the children of our community who are under the age of eighteen years are provided with adequate food, clothing, shelter and health care; that they are protected and supervised to assure their safety and health; that they receive nurturing, appropriate cultural teachings and adequate education/schooling - all of which are their inherent and basic rights as Native children.

The Native Village of _____ shall advocate for and promote the safety, dignity and well-being of the community's children throughout all governmental, business, social services and educational agencies and all other institutions involved in the community for any length of time.

The Native Village of _____ shall undertake such other efforts as may be deemed necessary to assure the long-term safety and protection of our children, including, but not limited to monitoring the well-being of the children, requiring parents to participate in services to remedy behaviors that place children at risk, and placement of children with relatives or other community members when such is necessary for the health and welfare of the child/ren.

This proclamation is undertaken on behalf of our children with the goal of preparing them to assume a creative, productive and honorable role in our society, and to assure that the ultimate future of our people is considered in each action considered from this day forward by the Native Village of _____

APPROVED AND ADOPTED BY a vote of: _____ in favor _____ opposed and _____ abstaining of the Native Village of _____ ON THIS _____ DAY OF 200 _____

President (or Chief) _____ Date _____

Secretary _____ Date _____

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ities? Is there potential for expansion? 3) **Innovation** - how does the business idea overcome the obstacles; location, communication and high costs? 4) **Sustainability and Profitability** - does the business idea have the potential to continue beyond NSEDC funding? 5) **Realism and Results** - does the business idea have a realistic implementation time frame and budget?

After reaching consensus; six participants were invited to present their ideas to the judges October 6 at Pioneer Hall. As the finalists were setting up there tables, it was obvious they were a bit nervous as \$35,000 was at stake. This seed money would make the difference for most as to whether they will be able to go forward in successfully starting a small business in the region. Karen Erikson, owner of Kuupiaq House brought her delicious cranberry

pastries to share while other participants displayed photos, financial records, and actual prototypes of inventions.

During the interviews, the judges asked about the business implementation process. After the interviews were completed, the judges met and discussed the proposed business ideas and interview response. There were many factors considered and debate among the judges to develop an overall 'rating' for each idea. The Award Ceremony was held on October 7th and Bob Walsh announced the winners: Edmond Apassingok of Gambell was awarded \$35,000 for Aksik Clip-On Radiator Fins, Sandra Morgan of Nome was awarded \$32,000 for Nome Animal House, Nathan Nagaruk of Nome was awarded \$24,500 for NJ Construction and Karen and Karl Erikson of Unalakleet were awarded \$13,500 for Kuupiaq

House. The individuals that attended the open house were asked to choose a 'People's Choice' winner. The award, which was an additional \$1,000, was Edmond Apassingok.

The judge's spokesperson, Barb Nickels, encouraged all of the finalists, whether they were awarded or not, to seek assistance from CPD for financial record keeping and other business assistance that will help them be successful and sustainable and to possibly expand. Awarded recipients will present their business at the Bering Straits Regional Conference in February 2009.

If you have an idea that could be developed into a small business in your area, don't wait until next year to develop it. Start now by contacting Patrice Shook, CPD Business Specialist at 907-443-4390 or pshook@kawerak.org.

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Changes in Our Environment

by Julie Raymond-Yakoubian, Natural Resources Division Anthropologist

Staff of Kawerak's ongoing project, *Traditional Knowledge and Norton Sound Salmon Variability*, project leader Julie Raymond-Yakoubian and intern Arlo Hannigan, have visited various communities to document changes in salmon populations and changes to the environment in our region. Each community that we have visited experienced a variety of changes, some for the first time this year. In some communities the biggest changes have



Salmon drying at Koyuk, 2008.

to do with salmon. This summer in Wales was, "The first time ever that we've had humpies in our creek [that runs through the village]. No one remembers it ever happening before". Salmon are showing up in other unexpected places, as well. "Red salmon, we never ever saw any red salmon. I think the first red salmon I saw was maybe about five or six years ago. In fact I didn't even know what kind of fish it was but all I knew was it was different," was a change noted by a Koyuk resident.

Climactic changes are evident as well. A St. Michael resident observed, "I think two or three years the ice just melted here in our bay, didn't break up like it used to – just stay here and rot. No break up, no coming back and forth like it usually does, just stay here and rot, and go out one big piece or piece by piece." Not all of the changes are viewed as negative, but some make the pursuit of subsistence activities more difficult. In Koyuk, "We're seeing a lot of rain now, even in December and January where we never saw rain before; and that's different." This rain can make snow machine and other travel difficult.

In some communities, the high price of fuel, in addition to the difficulty of finding sufficient numbers of fish, are leaving some people without enough. A St. Michael resident noted that, "Some are not so lucky. Some are lucky if they



Sea Lovage, or "Tukkaayuk" growing near St. Michael, 2008.

catch only one king, they try here, they try there... So some people spend a lot of money on gas and don't get very much."

This project is still in its early stages and there are a lot more community visits to make and interviews to conduct. We hope that the results of this project will lead to a more holistic view of what is happening in our region. If you would like more information, or would like to discuss changes in your community, please contact Julie Raymond-Yakoubian at (907) 443-4273 or jraymond-yakoubian@kawerak.org

Eskimo Heritage Program: "Ties That Bind" Project Update

by Colleen Reynolds, Eskimo Heritage Program Director

The Eskimo Heritage Program's "Ties That Bind Project" documents the ties between Big Diomed and Little Diomed that were broken during World War II. The project will also document the current ties that still exist between the two communities. Big Diomed served as a Russian military base and all Native residents of Big Diomed Island and the Russian coastal village of Naukan were relocated to other locations on the mainland of Russia. As a result, communication, historical kinship and cultural ties were broken between family members and friends for many generations. Some of these family members are still alive today and live on both sides of the Bering Strait.

Little Diomed (U.S.A) is 2.5 miles to the East of Big Diomed Island (Russia) and 25 miles West of mainland Alaska. Access to Little Diomed is limited to sea and air travel. Little Diomed Island was named by the Russian explorer Vitus Bering on August 16, 1728 after the martyr St. Diomed who was celebrated by the Russian Orthodox Church on that date. Some time later Alaska was purchased from Russia, in 1867.

Little Diomed has been home to a small number of Inuit for centuries. In 1880, the census reported 40 people lived on the island in a village named "Inalik" which means 'the other one or the one over there'. The 2000 census records 146 residents at Inalik. The location of Inalik or Little Diomed is believed to be a 3000 years



Photo by Colleen Reynolds

Pictured is "Ties That Bind" interviewer and translator, Mary Herman. Mary has interviewed Elders from: Little Diomed, Wales, Teller, Nome and Anchorage about their relatives and stories from Chukotka. Mary is fluent in Inupiaq and has translated many interviews from Inupiaq to English.

old hunting campsite.

EHP has collected interviews from Wales, Little Diomed, Teller, Nome and Anchorage residents in regards to historical information on trade routes, village relationships, art, history, comparison of customs, traditions, and subsistence lifestyles of the past and present. It is said that although both communities were separated by politics and an international date-line, Eskimos from both islands often met their relatives and exchanged small gifts under the cover of fog at the International Dateline.

One of the interviews was with Faye Ongtowsruk who was born and raised at Wales and continues to live in Wales. She remembers

the following of their Naukan visitors:

"The Naukans came with their skin boats. They came around 1940's. They were getting mushrooms and it got foggy on them. We use to be scared of people that we see for the first time. I always try to treat them good. We were told by our parents to treat everyone equal. The Naukan are kind of light skin. They had Eskimo dances. I used to go and watch them. The people trade with ivory and Eskimo greens. They give as much as they can because they have to hunt for it. I used to hear stories that Diomed people have relatives in Naukan. They only come across by boat. My grandmother used to get chewing tobacco for Naukan or Diomeders. They used to give as much as they can. I hear they used to do that long ago. Their clothing, you could tell the difference between the men and the women. Women's parkas are longer and men are shorter."

From Faye Ongtowsruk of Wales, AK
Interviewed March 11, 2008

A visit to Lavrentiya and Provideniya is being planned for next summer. This will give the EHP staff an opportunity to conduct similar interviews of Elders in Chukotka village who may be related to people of Little Diomed or remember the Big Diomed settlement and Naukan village.

This project is supported by a grant from the National Park Service, Beringia Grants.

Elder Pictures from the Eskimo Heritage Program Archives

Brought to you by the Natural Resources Department's Eskimo Heritage Program to meet Kawerak's Goal: "We will re-instill wellness, culture and pride as the norm in the Bering Strait region."

Topic is Looking Back in History



For more information about the Eskimo Heritage Program, review tapes, look at pictures or donate to the collections call:

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Katie Tokienna's Uncle, Ingusurak and Buster Seelkook

Charles Menadelook Collection

Pictured above is an unknown Wales reindeer herder. Pictured to the left is Buster Seelkook and Katie Tokienna's uncle. Pictured below is Diomedede.

If you would like to contribute photos or videos to the Eskimo Heritage Program contact Colleen or Eva.

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Kawerak Elders Advisory Committee

Kawerak Elders Advisory Committee members meeting on September 15, 2008. Pictured from left to right are: Merlin Koonooka, Mary Herman, Jacob Ahwinona, Lucy Trigg, Vincent Pikonganna, Faye Ong-towasruk, and Esther Bourdon. Not pictured is Dorothy Dickson. Photo taken by Julie Raymond-Yakoubian.



E-Bay Documentary Filmed in Nome

By Cindy Wieler, Business Development Planner

Kawerak's Community Planning and Development's (CPD) E-Commerce and Business Research Center hosted a regional workshop in Nome to teach techniques, digital photography and other tools used to maximize sales of Alaska Native arts and crafts and other items on E-bay. As part of their annual work plan, the Bering Strait Development Council, which is the State designated Alaska Regional Development Organization (ARDOR) funded the workshop facilitator--Joseph Davis of Watermark Consulting and travel scholarships for those in the villages to attend.

Ebay officials in California were excited about this workshop, the work the CPD has been doing in the region promoting e-commerce and the advantages it could bring to rural Alaskans. Mark Sabel, Senior Producer of KACN-TV, UHF 38, GCI 1 was contracted to film the workshop and create a documentary. Kawerak's CPD has shared rights to the final product and will be using it as an educational aid in other trainings. CPD will be announcing the date and time the documentary which will air on UHF 38.

This 3-day Online Auction Workshop was held October 1-3 in the Kawerak board room, which was totally redesigned for the filming. The workshop was promoted throughout the region, open to the public, free of charge, and attracted participants from Nome, White Mountain, Savoonga, Teller, Koyuk and Elim.

Joseph Davis, a very dynamic presenter, provided the participants with useful information, personal experiences and strategies on how to best sell items using EBay. The focus of the workshop was to empower participants with the knowledge to navigate through EBay to sell items, not only for themselves, but for residents of their communities. The message given to the participants was that they were ambassadors for their communities to share the knowledge learned and to assist those also wishing to use technology



L-R bottom row: Cindy Wieler, Mark Sabel, Peggy Akeya, Janelle Murray. Top row: Patrice Shook, Wilma Osborne, Liz Duncan, Ruby Nassuk, Laura Gibson, Joseph Davis and Carlson Tingook.

to provide them with a supplemental cash income. CPD and the BSDC are proud to have been able to provide this training, as it has full capabilities to stimulate our tribal members' economies.

Joseph's motto is "It Takes a Village to Do EBay". This motto was found to hold true as there were participants who attended the workshop solely to help community members sell their art on EBay. It is not uncommon that

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8th Annual Grant Writer Symposium

By: Barb Nickels, Community Planning and Development Director

The 8th Annual Grant Writer Symposium took off on September 23rd at Kawerak's board room with the announcement of the Grant Writer of the Year. Barb Nickels, Program Director for Community Planning & Development presented this award to Michael Sookiyak of Shaktoolik (see picture below).



Michael has been a grant writer for Shaktoolik for six years and has written and been funded numerous grants to support his communities priority projects. Michael has attended many of the Symposium's workshops over the years and this year said, "There is always something new to learn and something you need to be refreshed on. I thank Kawerak for providing this opportunity to the region."

This year's Symposium featured representatives from the following funding agencies: 1) **USDA**, Leo Rasmuson and Adam Lust spoke to the many rural programs that USDA offers to the Bering Strait region; 2) **Grant Station**, Angel Knapp presented a webinar to instruct the grant writers how to navigate the site and get the best use out of it to identify specific project

fundings; 3) **Denali Commission**, Automme Cir-costa showed a PowerPoint on the many Denali Commission programs available for our communities; 4) **State of Alaska – Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)**, Jill Davis, Janet Davis, Pauletta Bourne and Judy Haymaker went over the entire CDBG application; 5) **Administration for Native Americans (ANA)**, Sharon Anderson spoke to the group about project planning grants that are available and other opportunities through ANA; 6) **Norton Sound Economic Development Corporation (NSEDC)**, Paul Ivanoff and Katie Peterson gave an overview of the new Small Business initiative, the energy program, and provided information on the Outside Entity Grants that will not be available this year.

Other workshops included an eight (8) hour session with Terry Horton of the **Foraker Group**. She led the group in instruction and great participation in **Developing a Business Plan** and the **Logic Model**. The participants were thrilled with this workshop and for those new grant writers it put a whole new meaning to planning a project before seeking funding. Noele Weemes of Mary's Igloo started, "I am so excited to take this information back to my community and begin a project. There was so much I learned in this session." Many Kawerak staff also attended the Logic Model session as Kawerak is moving towards adopting the model for each program's

activity plans for 2009.

Tom Okleasik (see picture below) of **Northwest Planning and Grants Development** held an all day workshop on proposal development and writing skills, elements of grant writing and budgets. Richard Elachik from the City of St. Michael said, "This is one of the best workshops I have attended." There were many participant comments that this session really 'brought it all home' for them.

Sterling Gologergen, Kawerak's Regional Grant Specialist, also hosted a workshop for those grant writers who received a contract from Community Planning & Development. Sterling went over the community priority projects and the projects the grant writers will begin to work on as they return home. This year's Symposium yielded more than 30 participants from local organizations, IRA's and Cities throughout the region. It was a great experience for all from the brand new grant writer to the veteran grant writers and we are looking forward to many grants to be awarded in our communities for priority projects.



Planning Pays off in White Mountain

By Pearl Mikulski, Economic Development Planner, Community Planning & Development



Congratulations to the community members of White Mountain! White Mountain recently completed a new five-year Local Economic Development Plan (LEDP). The Native Village of White Mountain, the City of White Mountain, and White Mountain Native Corporation worked well together to develop projects to improve the community. The public planning workshops were well attended with involvement from the elders and the community, including youth and teachers from the White Mountain high school. Below are the accomplishments on the top priorities from their previous LEDP:

New school - An unfortunate fire burned the high school down in February of 2005. Since then the school has met in five buildings. However, construction of a new bigger building started in 2006 and was completed in the summer of 2008. It is better equipped to meet the needs of White Mountain.

Job training for potential workforce - The following village based trainings have taken place in White Mountain since 2003: Hazmat, Carpentry, Boiler, Plumbing, ABE, Meat Processing, and First Aid.

Alternate VPSO position for law enforcement - The VPSO program was not drastically changed as feared, but funding continues to be limited. However, White Mountain did receive some new equipment and training.

Maintain the drainages around the village (ditches) for better road maintenance - This issue seems to be less of a problem due to weather changes and there being a lot less snow. White Mountain worked with Kawerak's Transportation Program to write a Long-range transportation plan and priority list. There have been some dust control and trail projects in White Mountain.

Fire hall-fire station facility (search and rescue included) - First aid training was held. Code Red equipment was installed. Land issues are being solved. Funding was obtained for planning. Construction will begin when funding is obtained.

Need a big gravel source for future projects (gravel site) - DOT did test drilling and surveys for the new airport. Kawerak's long-range transportation plan addressed the need for gravel as well.

Land fill - Received and IGAP/EPA grant for improvement and expansion planning 2005-2007.

Education on Fish River Tribe history in the school and community knowledge of the Fish River Tribe - UAF interviewed local elders and made a map documenting place names and history and published the narrative and maps.

Small boat harbor (landing) project for safe boat parking and river access with island park - Early planning stages with NSEDC, Corp. of Engineers meeting in 2005-2006 to discuss issues.

Community shop for maintenance and repair - still in the initial planning stages

White Mountain has published three Local Economic Development Plans (LEDPs) since 1999. An LEDP helps guide community development over a five-year period in all program and infrastructure projects. The process of developing an LEDP takes several months and includes input from the public, local entities, and outside agencies. The document goes through several edits and public review before it is approved.

The number one priority of the new 2008 LEDP has been identified as finding a new gravel source for White Mountain. Gravel is needed for almost every development project, and sources for good gravel are being depleted. The number two priority is for a new store. The current store in White Mountain was built in 1968, has no water and sewer and is not large enough to meet the needs of the growing community. The number three priority is for a new public safety building. Much work has been done toward this goal already, but more funding is needed to complete the project. The complete document is available online at: http://www.kawerak.org/ledps/white_mountain.pdf

Over the last five years White Mountain also accomplished many other projects that were beyond their overall priority list. A new tank farm, clinic, new IRA building, and new homes were constructed. There is a new bed and breakfast and a better location for the Head Start Program. There were landfill improvements and a water and sewer project completed. Improved communication systems and internet capability are now available in the community. All of these accomplishments add up to a big change for the small rural community of 224 people. It would not have been possible without passionate, dedicated community members and organizations working together to follow the goals set in the community plan. Planning definitely has paid off for White Mountain.

Congratulations White Mountain!

Meet our faculty!

Northwest Campus currently has six full-time faculty members. If you have a question about a course, you might want to contact the instructor directly.



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SPRING SCHEDULE

This **MINI SCHEDULE** gives basic information about courses being offered in spring 2009 by Northwest Campus. For prices and all other details, please visit www.nwc.uaf.edu

APPLIED ART

APAR F150P	1 cr
Intro to Traditional Crafts: Traditional Portraiture	
CRN: TBA	Autumn Falls
T, Th — 6:00pm to 9:00pm — 1/22 to 2/17	
NWC • On campus	
APAR F150P	1 cr
Intro to Traditional Crafts: Ugalqaq-Kuspuk Making	
CRN: TBA	Asaaluk Irelan and Marilyn Koezuna-Irelan
Sun — 2:00pm to 5:00pm — 3/29 to 4/26	
NWC • On campus (Cooperative Extension building)	

APPLIED BUSINESS

ABUS F102A	1 cr
Keyboarding	
CRN: TBA	Joe Mason
Instruction in the mastery of alphabetic keyboard touch—typing. Skills mastered can be applied to typewriters, CRTs, computer terminals, or other equipment with a keyboard.	
Dates & Times TBA with instructor. Open entry.	
NWC • On campus	
ABUS F154 UN1	3 cr
Human Relations	
CRN: 48400	Michael Hannigan
Attitudes, self-concepts, personal communication styles, motivation, interactions, positive reinforcements, team building and leadership development.	
T, Th — 3:30pm to 5:00pm — 1/20 to 4/30	
NWC • DISTANCE (Audio conference and on campus)	

ABUS F202 UN1	3 cr
Principles of Accounting III	
CRN: 48400	Melanie Burtis
Continuation of elementary accounting concepts and procedures with the introduction of cost accounting principles for manufacturing and service operations. Job order costing, process costing, cost-volume profit, budgeting and variances are introduced.	
RECOMMENDED: Math placement at F100- level or above.	
W — 2:00pm to 5:00pm — 1/28 to 4/29	
NWC • DISTANCE (On campus & audioconference)	

ARCTIC SKILLS

ARSK F147A/B	1-2 cr
Arctic Survival	
CRN: TBA	Michael Hannigan
T — 7:00pm to 10:00pm — 2/10, 2/17	
W — 7:00pm to 10:00pm — 2/11, 2/18, 2/25	
F — 9:00am to 5:00pm — 2/27	
Overnight practicum outside of town	
Sat, Sun — 9:00am on 2/28 — 10:00am on 3/1	
NWC • On campus	

ART

ART F101	3 cr
Introduction to Ceramics	
CRN: TBA	Louise Kuntz-Tadda
W — 6:30pm to 9:30pm — 1/21 to 5/6	
Sat — 12:00pm to 3:00pm — Open Lab	
NWC • On campus (Ceramics Studio)	
ART F193	1 cr
Japanese Woodcut Traditions	
CRN: TBA	Jody Isaacson
F — 5:30pm to 9:30pm — 3/6	
Sat — 10:00am to 5:30pm — 3/7	
Sun — 12:00pm to 7:30pm — 3/8	
M — 5:30pm to 9:30pm — 3/9	
NWC • On campus	
ART F193	2 cr
Introduction to Metal Sculpture	
CRN: TBA	Cam Kristenson
T, Th — 6:00pm to 9:00pm — 2/3 to 4/9 (no class 3/6 to 3/23)	
NWC • Class will meet at NACTEC shop	

AUTOMOTIVE

AUTO F170	1 cr
Snowmachine Maintenance and Repair	
CRN: TBA	Brian Marvin
F — 6:00pm to 8:00pm — 1/23	
Sat — 9:00am to 4:30pm (1 hour lunch) — 1/24 and 1/31	
NWC • Class will meet at NACTEC shop	
AUTO F193	1 cr
4-Wheeler Maintenance and Repair	
CRN: TBA	Brian Marvin
F — 6:00pm to 8:00pm — 2/13	
Sat — 9:00am to 4:30pm (1 hour lunch) — 2/14 and 2/21	
NWC • Class will meet at NACTEC shop	

BIOLOGY

BIOL F111X UN1	4 cr (n)
Human Anatomy and Physiology I	
CRN: 48402	Claudia Ihl
Integrated view of human structure and function for students in pre-professional allied health programs, biology, physical education, psychology and art. Course covers cells, tissues and organs, skeletal and muscle systems, the nervous system and integument.	
T, Th — 5:10pm to 6:40pm — 1/20 to 4/30	
NWC • DISTANCE (Audio conference and Blackboard)	

COMMUNICATION

COMM F141	3 cr
Fundamentals of Oral Communication: Public Context	
CRN: TBA	Melanie Burtis
Speaking skills for individual presentation. Includes verbal and nonverbal skills, critical thinking in selecting and organizing materials, audience analysis, informative and persuasive speaking, and actual presentations. Student evaluations are based on nationally normed speaking competencies.	
Dates, times TBA	
Two intensives in Unalakleet: 2/6-2/8 and 4/24-4/26	

COMPUTER INFORMATION AND OFFICE SYSTEMS

CIOS F105	1 cr
Computer Software Application: QuickBooks	
CRN: TBA	Melanie Burtis
An introduction to using QuickBooks accounting software as an accounting system for rural communities and tribal councils	
Dates and Times: TBA in week of January 12	
NWC • Teller course	
CIOS F110 UN1	3 cr
Microcomputer Operating Systems: A+	
CRN: 48403	Joe Mason
Comprehensive exploration of a current microcomputer operating system: use, configuring, installing and administering. Topics include end-user and technical support.	
NOTE: Objectives map to the CompTIA 2006 A+ Certification.	
SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS: Computer (less than 3 years old) with Windows XP (Professional Edition preferred), reliable internet access during class time. You must use a computer to participate in class via E-live.	
T, Th — 6:50pm to 10:00pm — 1/22 to 3/5	
NWC • DISTANCE (Elluminate Live)	

CIOS F135	1 cr
Microcomputer Spreadsheets: Excel Essentials	
CRN: TBA	Melanie Burtis
T — 3:00pm to 5:00pm — 3/17 to 4/28	
NWC • On campus	

CIOS F210 UN1	3 cr
PC Hardware Configuration and Troubleshooting: A+	
CRN: 48404	Joe Mason
Fundamental hardware and software configuration and troubleshooting. Includes installing, removing and configuring computer hardware components; installing and configuring software applications and operating systems; diagnosing hardware and software problems; and developing troubleshooting and configuration procedures.	
NOTE: Objectives map to the CompTIA 2006 A+ Certification, and the companion course is CIOS110: Microcomputer Operating Systems.	
SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS: Computer (less than 3 years old), reliable internet access during class time. You must use a computer to participate in class via E-live. Access to the following is also required: an electronic toolkit (small), an electronic wristband, a digital camera (and the ability to import photos into a Word document and label them), and a working PC (in addition to the one used to connect to class) that can be taken apart and put back together.	
REGISTRATION OPEN UNTIL 3/3.	
T, Th — 6:50pm to 10:00pm — 3/17 to 5/7	
NWC • DISTANCE (Elluminate Live)	

CIOS F240	1 cr
Microcomputer Databases: Access Essentials	
CRN: TBA	Melanie Burtis
Th — 3:00pm to 5:00pm — 3/19 to 4/30	
NWC • On campus	

CIOS F258	1 cr
Understanding Digital Photography	
CRN: TBA	Hugh Thomas
T — 7:00pm to 9:00pm — 1/27 to 3/24	
NWC • On campus	

DEVELOPMENTAL MATH

DEVM F050	3 cr
Pre-Algebra	
CRN: TBA	Mike Rutledge
Operations with whole numbers, fractions, decimals, percents and ratios, signed numbers, evaluation of algebraic expressions and evaluation of simple formula. Metric measurement system and geometric figures.	
M, W — 5:10pm to 6:40pm — 1/21 to 5/5	
F — 5:10pm to 6:40pm — 2/6 and 2/20 (special audio sessions)	
NWC • DISTANCE (Blackboard & Elluminate Live)	

Registration deadline for most courses: **JANUARY 11**

DEVM F060 3 cr

Elementary Algebra

CRN: TBA Mike Rutledge
First year high school algebra. Evaluating and simplifying algebraic expressions, solving first degree equations and inequalities, integer exponents, polynomials, factoring, rational expressions, equations and graphs of lines.
T, Th — 5:10pm to 6:40pm — 1/20 to 5/5
F — 5:10pm to 6:40pm — 2/6 and 2/20 (special audio sessions)
NWC • DISTANCE (Blackboard & Elluminate Live)

DEVM F105 3 cr

Intermediate Algebra

CRN: TBA Mike Rutledge
Second year high school algebra. Operations with rational expressions, radicals, rational exponents, logarithms, inequalities, quadratic equations, linear systems, functions, Cartesian coordinate system and graphing. To matriculate to MATH F107X from DEVM F105 a grade of B or higher is required.
M, T, Th — 2:00pm to 3:00pm — 1/20 to 5/5
F — 5:10pm to 6:40pm — 2/6 and 2/20 (special audio sessions)
NWC • DISTANCE (Blackboard & Elluminate Live)

DEVELOPMENTAL STUDIES

DEVS F105 UN1 3 cr

Intensive Reading Development

CRN: 48406 Joe Mason
Develops vocabulary, reading strategies, speed and comprehension needed to read, understand and retain information in college textbooks and the skills to write in essay form, about material read.
M, W — 5:10pm to 6:40pm — 1/21 to 5/4
F — 5:10pm to 6:40pm — 2/6 and 2/20 (special audio sessions)
NWC • DISTANCE (Audio conference)

DEVS F110 1 cr

College Success Skills

CRN: TBA Reese Huhta
An introduction and overview of the diverse skills, strategies and resources available to ensure success in the college experience. Topics include study skills, time management, career planning, stress management, communication skills, test taking and personal development skills.
M, W — 1:30pm to 3:00pm — 1/21 to 2/23
NWC • DISTANCE (Videoconference, audio conference, Elluminate)

DEVS F193P 1 cr

Excelling in Skills-Oriented Courses

CRN: TBA Mike Rutledge
This lab course focuses on developing student ability to successfully complete the co-requisite course by maximizing the following: 1) utilization of course materials to reinforce skill development; and 2) development of skills to access supplemental student resources (e.g. electronic media) to reinforce curriculum of co-requisite course.
PREREQUISITES: Must be currently enrolled in relevant course requiring specific skill-development. For this semester, the co-requisite course is HLTH 107: Nurse Aide Training.
M-W — 7:00pm to 9:00pm — 4/27 to 4/29
M-F — 7:00pm to 9:00pm — 5/18 to 5/29
NWC • On campus

ENGLISH

ENGL F193P 1 cr

Introduction to Memoir

CRN: TBA Ernestine Hayes
W — 7:00pm to 10:00pm — 1/28
F — 7:00pm to 10:00pm — 1/30
Sat — 12:00pm to 5:00pm — 1/31
Sun — 1:00pm to 4:00pm — 2/1
NWC • On campus

ESKIMO

ESK F115P 1 cr

Conversational Inupiaq

CRN: TBA Winton Weyapuk
Introductory course for students who wish to acquire the ability to speak Inupiaq, the language of Norton Sound, the Seward Peninsula, Kotzebue Sound, the North Slope, and the arctic portions of Canada and Greenland. Students first learn to understand simple spoken language, then to speak simple Inupiaq, developing a beginning level of communicative competence in the language. Graded Pass/Fail.
Dates and Times: TBA
NWC • Wales course

ESK F115P 1 cr

Conversational Inupiaq

CRN: TBA Willa Eckenweiler
UNALAKLEET COURSE: Introductory course for students who wish to acquire the ability to speak Inupiaq, the language of Norton Sound, the Seward Peninsula, Kotzebue Sound, the North Slope, and the arctic portions of Canada and Greenland. Students first learn to understand simple spoken language, then to speak simple Inupiaq, developing a beginning level of communicative competence in the language. Graded Pass/Fail.
Dates and Times: TBA
NWC • Unalakleet course

HEALTH

HLTH F107 9 cr

Nurse Aide Training

CRN: TBA Staff
Basic nursing skills necessary to assist the nurse and be an efficient health care team member. Presents positive communication skills while providing care of residents' physical and emotional needs in a variety of health care settings. Content satisfies the theory and skills needed to take the state of Alaska exam to become a Certified Nurse Aide.
M-W — 8:00am to 5:00pm — 4/27 to 4/29 (Nome)
M-F — 8:00am to 5:00pm — 5/18 to 5/29 (Nome)
M-F — 8:00am to 5:00pm — 6/1 to 6/13 (Fairbanks)
NWC • On campus and at Fairbanks

HIGH LATITUDE RANGE MANAGEMENT

HLRM F160 2 cr

Meat Production

CRN: TBA Greg Finstad
A study of the meat animal processing sequence. The production of meat-type domesticated ungulates in Alaska and the science and technology of their conversion to food, value-added products and by-products. A review of the current state regulations and methods on proper field slaughtering, and the preparation, handling and storage of meat will be introduced.
M, T — 9:00am to 5:00pm — 03/23 to 03/24
F — 9:00am to 12noon — 03/27
NWC • On campus

HLRM F170 2 cr

Health Issues in Domesticated Herds

CRN: TBA Claudia Ihi
Ruminant anatomy and physiology specific to high latitude ungulates. Overall health issues and problem solving techniques for domesticated ungulates, including a review of indicators for disease of parasitic infections. Vaccinations and Rx treatments; including use in food animals. Field necropsy techniques and blood and tissue collection procedures. State monitoring and identification policies.
Dates & Times in May: TBA
NWC • On campus

LIBRARY SCIENCE

LS F101X UN1 1 cr

Library Information and Research

CRN: 49742 Peggy Wolfe
Introduction to effective library research methods and principles of information organization and retrieval. Emphasis on applied experience with finding and evaluating information, especially through use of library catalogs, journal indexes and Internet resources.
T — 5:10pm to 7:10pm — 2/3 to 3/24
NWC • DISTANCE (Audio conference and Blackboard)

PSYCHOLOGY

PSY F240 UN1 3 cr (s)

Lifespan Developmental Psychology

CRN: 48408 Michael Hannigan
The psychology of human development from conception to death. Critical emphasis on theory and research within the field of developmental psychology with attention paid to similarities and differences in development across cultures. Topics include the psychological ramifications of physical development along with cognitive, personality and social development across the lifespan.
T, Th — 5:10pm to 6:40pm — 1/20 to 4/30
NWC • DISTANCE (Audio conference and on campus)

RURAL DEVELOPMENT

RD F250 1 cr

Grant Writing for Community Development

CRN: TBA Melanie Burtis
Basic elements of grant proposals and processes of preparing proposals for governmental and private funding sources. Emphasis on applied skills through preparation of actual grant proposals.
Dates & Times: TBA
NWC • Golovin course

SCIENCE APPLICATION

SCIA F161 1 cr

Birds of Alaska

CRN: TBA Peter Bente
Dates & Times: TBA
NWC • On campus

SOCIOLOGY

SOC F100X UN1 3 cr (s)

Individual, Society and Culture

CRN: 48409 Michael Hannigan
An examination of the complex social arrangements guiding individual behavior and common human concerns in contrasting cultural contexts.
M, W — 5:10pm to 6:40pm — 1/21 to 5/4
NWC • DISTANCE (Audio conference and on campus)

SOC F242 UN1 3 cr (s)

The Family: A Cross-Cultural Perspective

CRN: 48764 Michael Hannigan
Analysis of conceptual frameworks in family research, and a cross-cultural comparison of variations in family and kinship structures, both past and present. Examination of contemporary developments in family forms, the dynamic roles and patterns of relationships, and links with other social institutions. Emphasis on how social forces such as gender, race, ethnicity and social class shape the family and experiences of family life.
M, W — 3:30pm to 5:00pm — 1/21 to 5/4
NWC • DISTANCE (Audio conference and on campus)

WELDING AND MATERIALS TECHNOLOGY

WMT F140 2 cr

Metal Fabrication

CRN: TBA John Thoreson
Metal fabrication done by hand and with the aid of equipment is the focus of this class. Plan, layout, bend, form raw metal and fabricate metal projects. May be repeated four times for a maximum of six credits.
W — 6:30pm to 9:30pm — 1/14 to 4/29
Sat — two 4.5 hour lab sessions to be arranged with students
NWC • Shishmaref course



Free money for college!

As more jobs require higher education, more area residents need to go to college or some form of post-secondary schooling.

Luckily, lots of funding is available!

But accessing the funds can be tough if you don't know where to start.

Applying for the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) is a good first step, and Northwest Campus can help. Learn more at one of these events:

College Goal Sunday

- 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 8
At Northwest Campus in Nome

College Goal financial aid events in villages

- Dates to be announced

FAFSA videoconference with BSSD school sites

- 2 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 11
Participate at your village school

Anyone interested in college, current college students, high school seniors and parents are urged to participate.

Don't let a lack of funding stop you from reaching your goals. Apply for federal aid and scholarships!

To learn more about financial aid events in our region, call your Northwest Campus advisor:



Kacey Miller

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Regional Wellness Forum Hosts the PFD Community Safety Patrol

By: Barb Nickels, Community Planning and Development Director

The Regional Wellness Forum (RWF) hosted the Permanent Fund Dividend Safety Patrols once again to ensure the safety of the people in Nome and the surrounding villages. Although this year's dividend was received earlier, the temperatures still dipped into the freezing zone during the nights. While the PFD patrols have historically been only on the week-ends, volunteers were rustled this year so that the busiest ten (10) days after checks had been mailed and received by community members were patrolled.

Volunteer patrollers met up at the XYZ Center before each shift to gather supplies and safety instructions. Orange vests with reflective strips, flashlights, radios and magnetic signs

for those patrolling in vehicles were on hand. All volunteers were reminded that they are not law enforcement or first responders; rather they are an extra set of ears and eyes for the Nome Police Department. Most nights and wee morning hours were reported to be relatively quiet this year.

The Regional Wellness Forum would like to thank all those individuals who took the time



WELLNESS FORUM SAFETY PATROL

to volunteer, those organizations who took lead nights to organize volunteers for the evening and to the XYZ Center for opening their doors as a place to assemble. **We would like to recognize the following organizations:**

Kawerak
 Nome Community Center
 Nome Eskimo Community
 Nome Police Department

Nome Public Schools
 Nome Rotary
 Nome Youth Facility
 Northwest Campus

Norton Sound Health Corporation
 Regional Wellness Forum
 XYZ Center

A big **thank you** to all the individuals who participated in the coordination and the patrols to make it successful goes to:

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| Beecky Scott | Joel Alowa | Woody Sams | Jenny Martens |
| Mike Sloan | Brooke | Jim Handcock | Rick Luthi |
| Marsha Sloan | Glen Parady | Wes Adkins | Doug Boyer |



Left to right: Two visitors to Nome & Erika Eaton get ready to patrol during the Iditarod.

There were also many volunteers who showed up at the XYZ Center with those who had signed up. If your name has been omitted from this list please contact Barb Nickels @ 443-4248 so you can be included in our volunteer base and recognized. The Regional Wellness Forum members truly believe in the following statement as it holds true over and over in Nome and the region.

"Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world: indeed it is the only thing that ever has."

By Margaret Mead

Our website www.necalaska.org is under construction. Stay tuned for more updates.

Nome Eskimo Community

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Stanton Nakarak receives C.D.A. Credentials

By Malinda Besett, Head Start Director

S Stanton Nakarak of Elim, AK was awarded a Child Development Associate (CDA) Credential in recognition of outstanding work with young children. The credential was awarded by the Council of Professional Recognition in Washington, DC, which represents the early childhood education profession.

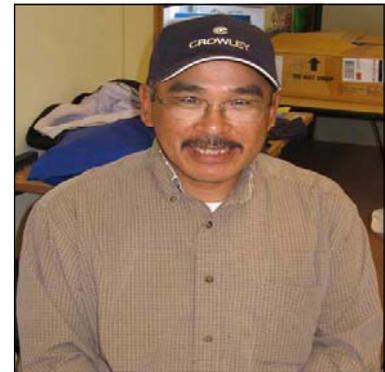
CDA is the only major national effort to improve early childhood education and care by evaluation and recognition the skills of individuals providing care. The first Credential was awarded over 30 years ago, and now 49 states plus the District of Columbia include CDA in their child care licensing regulations.

Parents who use early education and care are especially concerned today about their children's welfare. With this in mind, as part of the CDA assessment process, every candidate for

the CDA Credential is observed working with young children or families by an early childhood professional. In addition, the candidate must demonstrate the ability to work with families to develop children's physical and intellectual capabilities in a safe and healthy learning environment.

The CDA Credential is having a positive effect on the quality of early childhood education and care. Its impact is evident in center-based and home visitor programs as well as family child care, the most common form of care for children under 5 years old.

Childcare staff and parents wanting information on CDA should write to the Council for Professional Recognition at 2460 16th Street, NW, Washington DC 20009-3575, or call the Council at (202) 265-9090 or (800) 424-4310.



Stanton Nakarak, Head Start Teacher Aide.



Brevig Mission Head Start Students at Play.

Photo taken by Malinda Besett



Nome Head Start students listen to the ocean with seashells.

Photo taken by Summer Larsen



Gambell Head Start students at play.

The Kawerak Head Start program is in 13 communities throughout the Bering Strait Region. We provide services to over 160 children (ages 3 ~ 4 years). If you would like more information about enrolling your child into Head Start, please call 1(800) 443-5294 or in Nome call 443-9062.



Teacher Aide Donna Brown from Golovin and Teacher Carmel Kona-hok from Gambell enjoy a laugh while trying out a new physical activity for kids.

Photo taken by Malinda Besett

Kawerak, Inc.

Kawerak Full Board of Directors Meeting held September 17, 2008 in Nome

Below are the Village Reports from each representative

Chinik Eskimo Community: by Jack Fagerstrom

Not knowing what is going on with the BSRHA is a concern for the CEC right now. It would be nice if we could get an update on the housing situation for Golovin. Another big concern for us is the high cost of fuel oil; \$8.23 per gallon and gas \$7.50 per gallon. The cost of electricity has also gone up to \$1.04 per KWH for residents and \$1.54 KWH for commercial. With the rise in prices, some entities have amended lease agreements in order to keep the rise in costs covered. Both fishing and berry picking were successful this summer, although it would have been easier to dry if there wasn't so much rain. There was a high number of humpies and silvers. Freezers are full and ready for the long winter months. NSEDC has held the Golovin-area beach cleanup this summer. Boats were rented and crews were on foot to scour the beach for debris left behind by fall storms (old oil drums, propane bottles, old motors, buoys, nets, ropes, and other items). All items were hauled to the local dump and crushed. The crabbers were busy coming in and out of Golovin once again this summer. There was a Joint Meeting held on August 22 and the main concern for most of the community is the high cost of fuel oil and the increase in KWH for electricity. It was good to have Jeannette Pomenke here for our joint meeting. She gave the community an update and an overview of the Kawerak Transportation Program and also met community members regarding funding for our roads. School started August 18. Mike Hadujavich held a basketball camp August 26 and 27 with the students. The school had money left over so we used it for a "Day Out" for Jr. and High school. We took them to Kinley, to go fishing. A few Elders also went fishing.

Native Village of Council: by Steve Longley

Trisha Gray was hired June 12 as Tribal Coordinator. NVC held regular meetings on June 23, July 14, and August 22. Their next meeting is September 23. NVC in coordination with Tom & BeeJay Gray of Alaskan Northwest Adventures hosted a summer camp from July 30 to August 3 on the Niukluk River with twenty tribal enrollees and their family members. The camp highlighted prevention of diabetes and cancer. Guest speakers from NSHC discussed traditional activities, good nutrition, smoking cessation and the importance of exercise. Campers applied caught and canned silver salmon to take home. The camp was made possible by a diabetes prevention grant from the NSHC CAMP Department. The Annual meeting will take place in November.

Native Village of Diomed: by Patrick Omiak, Sr.

June and July are busy times for Diomed. Businesses are preparing for trainings and meetings, tour ship visits and other visitors, summer clean up, Inalik Boardwalk Project, Fourth of July festivities and subsistence gathering. On July 17, the Clipper Odyssey tour ship arrived with tourist and staff and a film crew documenting Bering Sea marine life. NVD, IRA hired local members as contract laborers, tour guides and Eskimo dance performers. Until the spring of 2008, the annual summer tour ship business was by the Inalik Native Corporation. Catarina Ryopp, an artist from Helsinki, Finland, taught children's workshop on calligraphy, painting, drawing, and photography activities. Circumpolar Expeditions brought a Mexican film crew to document cultural traditions and global warming. NVD is interested in developing tourism. Circumpolar Expeditions is willing to assist by helping with grants, training, brochures, website and visits to Russia. Trainings taken place are ISWMP training, Council on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault, NSHC board meeting and NSHC Hotel Grand Opening. Our office Secretary attended the Kawerak, EET training and the Color of Justice Forum in Anchorage. The main focus in our community is making Diomed environmentally safe. The feedback and information from Integrated Solid Waste Management Plan training has impacted our tribe and community with changing our dumping and consumption. We are recycling pop cans, plastic bottles and batteries. The damage which is occurring and already has happened is affecting the life that surrounds Diomed. Inalik Boardwalk Project with Kawerak Transportation will be starting soon; waiting for the barge and need to prepare a causeway for off loading. The City of Diomed expresses deepest thanks to Kawerak for financial assistance for heavy equipment parts and an operator to prepare the causeway. NVD and the City hosted a clean up day. The NVD donated \$500 for door prizes. The 4th of July Celebration included games, potluck and Eskimo dancing. This has been a rainy summer for Diomed, not many greens, but berries and Eskimo potatoes look promising.

Native Village of Koyuk: by Georgianna Anasogak

School started August 19. Kim Hanisch is the new principal along with several new teachers. Lola Hannon, ECE, will return to work after a sabbatical leave-welcome back to Lola and the new teachers. At the Council meeting Kim was informed to contact the IRA council if she needs assistance with the Koyuk Malamute School. Several high school students returned to the Galena School and one student left for Mt. Edgecombe-good luck to all! We are so proud to see our HS graduates go to college and join the AK Army National Guard. We welcome back Covenant Church Pastor Wisle Mute and wife Jean, who went home to Bethel for the summer. After years of working with various organizations and EPA IGAP staff, ANTHC will construct a burn box at the landfill. The Koyuk IRA Council, City and Corporation agreed to purchase a solid waste vehicle versus making improvements at the landfill.

This summer the Council transferred ownership of the solid waste haul vehicle to the City. The EPA IGAP program continues to recycle pop cans, 10% of the funds from the program go to the Covenant Church-thank you to everyone recycles pop cans. ANA staff with several youth have completed the Community Calendar which includes photos and quotes from Elders, birthday and anniversary dates, etc. The calendars were distributed to the Elders and will be available for sale. The ANA staff also met with the Elders to review the ARAC map-making sure the Inupiaq names and locations were spelled properly. During this time, the community album was displayed and old photographs were identified. Thank you to all participants, especially to our Elders! The two programs (EPA IGAP & ANA) were available to tribes in the lower 48 and Alaska. It takes cooperation, understanding, knowledge, sharing and dedication in the community and region to bring these funds to our village. Subsistence activities are well under way—good luck to all hunters and gatherers! Enjoy the fall weather.

Mary's Igloo: by Lucy Oquilluk

This summer has been wet and windy, making it hard to put away food. We have no salmon berries around Teller and very few in the Mary's Igloo area, blueberries are trying to ripen. We finally have good weather now that school has started. Mary's Igloo donated funds to the Fourth of July events this year. We had a good turnout and the kids had fun. We also held a Fourth of July raffle, sponsored by the Traditional Council Bingo. NSEDC had their Fisherman's Fair in July. Unfortunately, the weather was bad so they held it in the school gym. The fair had a great turnout and was a lot of fun. The Traditional Council held their Annual Meeting and elections on August 16. Council members are: Lucy Oquilluk-President, Carol Ablowaluk-Vice President, Maggie Komok-Treasurer, Albert Oquilluk-Secretary, John Topkok-Member, Willie Foster-Member, and Sam Komok-Member. Welcome back Lucy, Carol & Albert they all won their seats. New Council members are Maggie and Sam Komok, welcome aboard. School is back in session and kids are excited to start the school year. The Teller Fitness Center, located in the school, will re-open soon. All our teachers returned for another school year and we welcomed a new kindergarten teacher, Mona Landrum. The Cross Country Running team has started their practice. The 4th Annual Teller Cultural Festival was held September 27th-29th. We are hosted "Pamyua" this year. The girls along with Josie Garnie have put away fish all summer and worked hard for the event.

Nome Eskimo Community: by Clifford Johnson

In May, we held an Open House with over 200 people in attendance to meet staff and showcase our involvement in the community, share information on programs and services that are available to our membership and residents. During the event, tribal members updated their membership information and obtained new Tribal ID cards that are now accepted for travel identification. In preparation for this event, we purchased beautiful signage for the building. We have several new staff: Marsha Sloan is the new Tribal Services Director and Glen Parly as Housing Director; Emma Goodwin was promoted to Deputy Director and Doris Angusc was hired as Accountant. NEC now has 19 full-time and one part-time employee. With the development of new programs, we anticipate several new positions. We're winding down from summer activities: we offered cultural day trips for youth, a cultural enrichment camp was held in July at Tom & BJ Gray's camp on the Fish River, and our annual Challenge Life Basketball camp was held in August. All activities were well attended. Staff are preparing for fall and winter activities: we're recruiting for tutors and mentors for the After School Study Program that begins October 1st, and we're conducting an assessment of prior year activities to determine what will be offered this year for After School Activities. We have reapplied for a 4-year Tribal Youth Grant from the Office of Juvenile Justice and are awaiting notification of funding. We have submitted an Indian Community Development Block Grant application to HUD for facilities renovation and rehabilitation/ weatherization services for membership homes and are awaiting notification of funding. Further, NEC is experiencing a shortage of office space and is seeking funds to create additional office and classroom space in our garage facility. NEC is in the process of developing a partnership with Rural Cap to bring Energy Efficiency & Weatherization services to the residents of Nome. Rural Cap is one of the state-wide organizations, in addition to the regional housing authorities, slated to receive Energy Assistance funds that were allocated by the State Legislature. Services may include new heaters, windows, insulation, etc. depending on the home assessment. This assistance will be available to all residents, Native and non-native and is not restricted to NEC members. In addition, although the program will have income requirements, the services are not restricted to only those with very low incomes. Once the details are worked out, we'll begin advertising to the community. We're also partnering with the Nome Public Schools and local Tribes to pursue an Alaska Native Education Grant for the development and implementation of Native curriculum and Alaska Studies beginning at the Jr. High level. Alaska Studies will include content on ANCSA, the creation of corporations and the differences between the regional and village corporations and the tribal governments. We received a 3-year Tribal Environmental Grant from EPA and Austin Ahmasuk was hired in February to develop the program. The three components in the scope of work are wa-

ter quality, air quality and subsistence advocacy. We're creating a Tribal Resources Committee to provide recommendations to the Tribal Council. A major concern has been dust control. We're researching EPA funds for dust control projects on the Nome-Council road (Nome to Nook area) and city streets. By doing so, we won't have to utilize our Transportation funds for dust control. In 2007, we pulled our Indian Reservation Roads (IRR) funds out of the Kawerak compact to develop a Transportation Program at NEC. We retained a consultant to develop a new Tribal Transportation Plan. This summer, we conducted Daily Traffic Counts on city streets and our counts on State roads are currently being updated by DOT. The submission of these counts will increase our funding for 2009. We anticipate partnering with the City of Nome to pool resources for projects in our community. Our Transportation Committee will convene in September to begin work on our Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP) to be used as our guiding tool for collaboration with the city. The Tribal Council has finalized the new Strategic Plan for 2009-2013. High housing, energy and fuel costs are a priority as well as the development of alternative energy resources. An inpatient substance abuse treatment center and homeless shelter are also on the projects list. This year, we'll seek resources to expand our Family Services Program. We will also research a Foster Parent Program and additional intervention, prevention and supportive services for families. We will also research a Tribal Child Support Program. Our Annual meeting and potluck will be held on November 15th at the Mini Convention Center. This year, three Tribal Council terms expire and elections will be held to fill these seats. We look forward to sharing our past year successes and obtaining input from our membership.

Native Village of St. Michael: by Shirley Martin

St. Michael was awarded \$290,000 from the DOD/NALEMP for FY 08/09. An estimated 40,000 lbs. of Army debris was shipped out. Our annual clean up involved a cooperative effort from SMNC Corporation and EPA/IGAP staff. The staff coordinated the activity and SMNC hauled the garbage to the landfill. Raffle donations included those from NSHC, NSEDC, AC, Frontier and Bering Air. Our community thanks everyone for their support. A pizza party was held in appreciation of the participants. The water and sewer system for the washeteria was addressed. Most community members own a washer and dryer, but there is a select few that have missed the weekly service. We have finally finished our Library/Cultural Center. There will be a grand opening scheduled for this winter. Completion of the new school is expected by the end of the month with staff and students to officially move in October. The IRA sponsored a summer solstice festival with youth enjoying games and a bonfire. The following weekend was celebrated with a parade, games, face painting, picnic and fireworks coordinated by our clinic staff. Tumet started the St. Michael/Stebbins Highway in July. QAP has completed hauling gravel to UNK and will begin transporting gravel to Stebbins and St. Michael airports. Our school was successful in meeting the 60% goal in two subjects with tutoring a targeted group of students. We are closing out our EPA/IGAP grant, but are waiting to hear about a possible award for the coming year. We have applied to Kawerak for grant writing funds. Potential projects include the Library/Cultural Center, renovation of the Community Building, feasibility study on crabbing and feasibility study for a dock/harbor.

Native Village of Shaktoolik: by Gabriel Takak, Sr.

Shaktoolik's wages and subsistence activities boomed this summer with housing projects, commercial fishing/crabbing, other small projects and an abundance of Native food. A Cultural Camp, sponsored by Behavior Health and NSHC's Camp Dept was held this spring. The participants set a whale net, went on hunting expeditions, participated in preparing a seal and making seal oil and went egg hunting. The IRA held their Annual Elder and Youth Cultural Camp late in the summer where the participants were able to seine, make dry fish, ungmak and oogruk, pick salmon berries to make agutak and relax. This camp was sponsored by BSRHA and other sources of donations. BSRHA built three new houses during the winter and has started a fourth-all of which were built by local labor. There is a new "Teacher Quarters" being built across from the IRA building. The Shaktoolik School got three new teachers this year. A new backhaul program for large items will begin this year in conjunction with YR ITWC and Crowley. The corporation has a Teen Hangout and Coffee shop with a "Name the Place" contest in progress; the winner will be awarded \$25. The Teen Center Building will be available to use in September 2008. The IRA will have a new road maintenance program thanks to Kawerak Transportation Program. The IRA employs an Active Wellness Director and has created activities for all age groups since January 2008; it is funded by Department of Behavior Health. A local woman who started a fundraiser and received several donations from the airlines and Native artists so that her father, who is a cancer patient, may receive treatment at a Cancer Treatment Centers of America. Despite SNC running out of diesel and gas, the commercial fishing industry and subsistence activities has never stopped. Duck and whale hunting season will have begun. Good luck to all the hunters!

Native Village of Shishmaref: by Edwin Weyiouanna

The Army Corp of Engineers recently completed the 100 ft. sea-wall project that was started last year. We were awarded a \$30,000

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Kawerak Announces Employee of the Month: March ~ July 2008

March 2008

Melanie Edwards, Exec. Vice President



Melanie's work associated with bringing the CITGO fuel program to the BSR. She did a great job of pulling staff together, serving as the corporate liaison with AITC and CITGO and insuring we collectively did a great job in providing the service through the Bering Straits Region.

April 2008

Myra Stotts, Human Resources Specialist



Myra has gone above and beyond entering all the data in Great Plains to be accurate for both active and terminated employees. She jumped in and helped with Administrative support duties when we were short staffed in order to try to keep things running smoothly.

May 2008

Leo Charles, Koyuk Tribal Family Coordinator



Leo dealt with a complicated situation involving a child that was left without a caretaker. This was a complicated process and he handled it very effectively. Leo deserves recognition for his accomplishments.

June 2008

Debbie Knight, Accountant



Debbie's demeanor makes even the not so great aspects of our jobs easier to do. It is wonderful to work with a fellow employee who displays great work ethic, boundless energy and a positive persona.

July 2008

Dorothy Barr, Tribal Coordinator



She worked closely with Kawerak's CPD program to update and publish White Mountain's local economic development plan. She is pleasant to work with and goes the extra mile to make sure things are done professionally and in accordance with the council's wishes.

Norton Sound Health Corporation holds Grand Opening for Patient Hostel and Ground Breaking for New Hospital

A riveting, memorable and historical moment occurred on July 30, 2008 for patients residing in the surrounding communities served by Norton Sound Health Corporation (NSHC) here in Nome, AK. The occasion was the grand opening of the new Patient Hostel and the ground breaking for the new hospital; both facilities have been in the planning stages for several years by the NSHC Board of Directors.

Attending the events in conjunction with the NSHC Board meetings were tribal representatives from IRA/Tribal Council, former NSHC Chairmen of the Board and special guests from the Indian Health Services headquarters in Washington, DC: Admiral Gary Hartz, Christopher Mandregran, including Hankie Ortiz and Tena Larney from the I.H.S. Self Governance office; and Ken Harper, Kenneth Gliford and



NSHC board of directors, staff and dignitaries at the ground breaking ceremony for the new hospital.

Henry Hardnett from the Seattle I.H.S. office. Representing the lead architectural firm, Kumin & Associates were Angie Barr and Jon Stolle, as well as Jay Farmwald of DOWL Engineers. Among the featured guests were Denali Daniels, of the Denali Commission and Samme Pokryfki of the Rasmuson Foundation, whose agencies are instrumental in funding the projects. Representing the Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium was Lincoln Bean who came from Southeast Alaska to participate in the historic events. Mr. Jacob Ahwi-

nona, Elder from Nome gave the invocation and blessing at the two events and Mr. John Handeland served as Master of Ceremonies.

Adding to the celebration, was the performance by the King Island Eskimo Dancers that captured the attention of many who attended the events – the singing, drumming, dancing was traditionally spirited and a tribute to patients who had visions of someday having a temporary place to stay while getting medical services in a new hospital. Their vision was shared by the NSHC Board of Directors who committed their time and energy to make the patients' vision a reality.



Pictured above are the past and current NSHC board of directors along with dignitaries at the Grand Opening of the new Patient Hostel.

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Attention Medicare Recipients

By Alice Biofff, Norton Sound Health Corporation, Patient Benefits Manager

With holidays coming and plans to gather with friends and family, the Senior Information Office and Norton Sound Health Corporation Patient Benefits office, which counsels on MEDICARE issues, reminds you that **November 15 until December 31st** is the Annual Election Period. This is the time to check on whether your prescription drug plan (PDP) is going to be more expensive next year, whether they will have the medications you take

or whether there is a better plan for you.

With a friend or relative, your MEDICARE card and list of your medications, you can go to medicare.gov to the "Find & Compare Plans that Cover Drugs" and do a search that will help you decide whether you should stay with your existing plan or switch.

Patient Benefit Specialists will also be traveling to all the Bering Strait communities to assist with enrollment and answer any ques-

tions regarding Medicare Part D, Medicaid and other benefits. Notices will be sent to each of the village clinics prior to travel.

For people with a limited income, anytime is a good time to call Social Security at 1-800-772-1213 and apply for the limited income subsidy which can help pay your Medicare Premiums and lower your co-pays. Your Patient Benefits Specialist can also assist with this ap-



plication process.

If you have questions or need assistance, please call your local Patient Benefits Office at 1-888-559-3311, State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP) 1-800-478-6065 or Medicare 1-800-633-4227.

Accessing I.H.S. Medical Care while traveling outside of Alaska

Are you or do you know an Alaskan Native (s) from the Bering Straits Region who may be traveling or moving outside of Alaska, or attending college and may have questions on what needs to be done should they need medical care? If you do, please share this information with them.

Verification of eligibility for Indian Health Services (I.H.S.) and Contract Health Services (C.H.S.) is required to receive care at the Alaska Native Medical Center (ANMC) in Anchorage, Alaska and other tribal facilities. Eligibility is verified with a Certificate of Degree of Indian Blood (CDIB) from the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) or a tribal enrollment card issued by a tribe on the list of federally recognized tribes. Please contact any BIA office if you want to verify if your tribe is on this list. If a person does not have a tribal enrollment card and wishes to obtain a CDIB, please have them contact one of the BIA offices in Alaska: Juneau, 1-800-645-8397; Fairbanks, 1-800-822-3596 ext. 5; or An-

chorage, 1-800-645-8465 ext. 1. It may be necessary to provide proof of Alaska residency before CHS authorizes payment for medical care. CHS requirements:

- For travelers and movers, authorization for medical services received outside the State of Alaska is limited to emergencies only.
- If moving outside Alaska, emergency care may be authorized for the first 180 days of the move. You will be required to show proof of the actual move date and can do this with one of following: airline ticket(s) or gas receipts. The burden of proof is at the ultimate responsibility of the mover(s).
- CHS must be notified within 72 hours (including weekends and holidays) of the start of the emergency services. Notification is the ultimate responsibility of the patient and/or family. However, anyone acting on the patient's behalf can provide the notification. ANMC CHS can be reached by calling: 1-800-478-1636 or 907-729-2470.

Leave a voice mail after hours with your name and contact telephone number.

- All available eligible I.H.S. facilities must be utilized instead of private facilities for CHS to assist financially, if individual(s) is eligible.
- Students attending school on a full-time basis outside the State of Alaska are encouraged to contact ANMC CHS at 1-800-478-1636 or 907-729-2470 for instructions on how to access health care.

For more information about accessing health-care while outside of Alaska, go to www.anmc.org or call them at 1-800-478-1636 or (907) 729-2470.

This message is brought to you by: Bureau of Indian Affairs-Anchorage Office, Alaska Native Medical Center-Contract Health Services Office and Helen Pootoogooluk, Tribal Initiatives Coordination Officer with Norton Sound Health Corporation

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an artist just wants to produce art and does not have the knowledge needed to promote and market it globally. Our region is rich with many talented artists. If these artists can establish marketing partnerships with local community members to help sell their art over the internet, it is a win/win situation.

Participants were given hands on experience with EBay using Kawerak's portable computer lab provided by the Employment, Education and Training (EET) program. During the workshop, participants were instructed on how to write an artist statement, community story writing, using flash drives, hands-on experi-

ence using digital cameras – making photos come to life, bank account information as well as information on utilizing PayPal, internet e-mail accounts, branding their business and finishing with posting items to sell on EBay.

Cindy Wieler, CPD's Business Coordinator will be traveling to villages in November to visit the seven E-Commerce Centers (Savoonga, Gambell, Brevig Mission, Stebbins, Unalakleet, Elim, and Golovin) that have been established to promote the use of EBay as an avenue to supplement a subsistence lifestyle with cash income and to further stimulate the communities' economy.

The Bering Strait E-Commerce and Business Research, located in Kawerak's Ulugluq Building, is open 8:00am to Noon and 1:00pm to 5:00pm, Monday through Friday. If you need assistance in taking photos of your art, writing an artist statement, promoting your business or doing business research, come in and use our free, public-use computers. If your village is interested in hosting a workshop in your community, please contact Cindy Wieler at 443-4250 or email lwiel@kawerak.org.

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writer is working on the CAMP Grant this week. The grant writer and I developed a rough outline of a proposal. JOM was budgeted and the IRA provided direction for ASA monies. Our grant writer last year wrote a \$100,000 BIA Water Management proposal. We received notice this summer that BIA awarded us \$4,000 provided we rewrite the grant to fit the new amount. The purpose of the grant was twofold; to analyze the Tubuktoolik River water and to create a water management plan. With the help of Sterling Golo-

gergen, our grant writer was able to resubmit the proposal and we are receiving this grant. We also received notice that NSEDC is willing to support the IRA in dealing with the uranium issue in the amount of \$25,000. We will use these funds to supplement the BIA grant and a small IEN grant, which will allow us to study how Tribal Consultation policies of various Federal Agencies could help in the mitigation of mining issues. We have \$6,500 to do this but will need 7 to 9 thousand more. On my to-do list, is to approach AITC

to see if they would be willing to help. Earlier this summer, DNR State of Alaska staff, approached the IRA to meet with our Tribe and DNR invited EPA-DL Seattle and Anchorage staff and we invited surrounding villages. ACAT also participated and it was a very good meeting. ACAT is providing tech support to Elim on the uranium issue. Currently the State of Alaska does not have any regulations specific to uranium. DNR is looking at developing regulations.

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Maude Paniptchuk receives Masters of Arts Degree



My name is Maude Paniptchuk, daughter of Butch & Maggie Moses, granddaughter of the late Alfred & Gertie Moses Sr. and Nora "Apok" Amaktoolik. I was born and raised in Golovin, Alaska where I currently reside. My husband is Roy and we have two children. A handsome 2 (almost 3) year old son named Darren, a beautiful 8 month old daughter named Kylirose. I graduated from the University of Alaska

Fairbanks in 2001 with a degree in Elementary Education, which led me right into teaching.

I taught my first year in Elim and moved home the next year. I've taught grades Kindergarten to the 5th grade. I've done everything from coaching the Running Team, Volleyball Team to running the Student Store. I am the Kindergarten and 1st Grade teacher and NYO coach. I'm in my 8th year of teaching and have received my Masters of Arts De-

gree in Education with an emphasis in Curriculum & Instruction from the University of Phoenix. My degree has helped me to become a better teacher by learning to look more closely and recognize the strengths of different programs to use in my classroom, school and school district.

Submitted by Brian James Work Force Development Specialist.

Run, Jump, Dance (Continued from page 2)

to the many great benefits of Medicaid/Denali KidCare. Mission accomplished!

Approximately 307 participants attended the "Bash." Everyone enjoyed the games and some lucky participants left with door prizes. Participants also visited the Denali KidCare/Medicaid booth where information on was provided.

Participants requested and filled out applications while at the event. Overall, the "Bash" raised awareness regarding the great benefits of Denali KidCare/Medicaid while at the same time getting kids and parents excited about school starting by participating in a fun activity

for everyone.

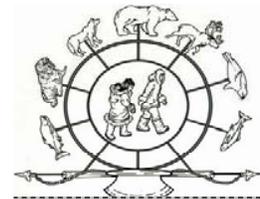
Tisha mentored and assisted Brienne during her internship. "It was awesome to have Brienne work with me over the summer. She is very bright and I hope someday she can come back and be an NSHC employee. She would be a great asset to have."

Brienne was also assisted by many volunteers (too numerous to name) that were recruited to facilitate the "Bash." She also received critical support from local organizations for supplies and donations. Special thanks to the following organizations for their donations

that also made this event a success: City of Savoonga, Savoonga Scholarship Committee, Kukulget, Inc., Savoonga Native Store, Savoonga Fire Department and the Savoonga School (for the use of their facility).

Internship opportunities within the region are an integral part of our work force development and also benefit students who are looking for real world experience. *Thanks again from the Patient Benefits Department of NSHC to all who facilitated, supported and participated in this event!*

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"Uvlaakun suli" translated in Inupiaq language means: *More tomorrow!* Quyanna!