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## School Board Hears Sobering News About Drugs

MICA HUTCHISON  
- CRR STAFF

Copper River School District School Board held a work session followed by their regular board meeting on March 8.

The board heard two presentations on health and safety during the work session. Glennallen Middle and High School principal Jason Williams presented information on student infractions. Most issues involve truancy and technology violations like inappropriate cell phone usage, but school officials have seen a rise in tobacco and drug usage.

Williams has been discussing the possibility of an alternative school with Superintendent Ashton.

They'd like to see high-risk kids in a smaller setting with a teacher who could work closely with those students.

Alaska State Troopers spoke with the School Board on the rise of drugs in the Copper River Basin and in CRSD schools.

Board President Joshua Scott said, "We're hearing a lot of parents voice concerns about the drugs," and asked Troopers if there is merit to rumors in the community. Board member Becky Schwanke expressed similar concern saying, "I had one of the high schoolers tell me that he sees (Xanax) in the school every single day."

Illicit Xanax is readily available in our area

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## Creative Alaskan Gardening

TENLEY NELSON  
- CRR STAFF

The University of Alaska Fairbanks presented a series of sustainability webinars to the public this March. On March 3, Jodie Anderson presented "Creative Alaskan Gardening," focusing on sustainability, resiliency, and creativity. Using many photos from off-grid communities, Anderson showed example after example of how ingenuity with discarded or unwanted items could be utilized to create growing

spaces and move Alaskan communities closer towards food security. Your imagination is the limit even if your land space is small.

Kenny Lake area gardeners might remember Anderson from her presentation on composting at the 2016 Copper Basin AG Forum. She is the Interim Associate Director of the Institute of Agriculture, Natural Resources and Extension for the Matanuska Experiment Farm and Extension Center in Palmer.

As a new gardener, you

might think an enormous amount of money is needed to create the photo shoot worthy garden plot of your mind's eye. But Anderson is here to tell you that you do not need to get hung up on what your garden and soil are supposed to look like. Gardening is supposed to be fun, so find a way to enjoy the process, recycle unwanted materials and let go of that ingrained image of what a garden "should be."

Soils across Alaska come

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## Infant Formula Recall Update from the FDA

FOOD AND DRUG  
ADMINISTRATION  
PRESS RELEASE

The Food and Drug Administration, along with the Centers for Disease Control and state and local partners are investigating consumer complaints and/or reports of infant illness related to products from Abbott Nutrition's Sturgis, MI facility. All of the ill patients are reported to have consumed powdered infant formula produced from Abbott Nutrition's Sturgis, MI facility.

To provide clarity about which products are included in the Abbott Nutrition recall, FDA is publishing a

full list of recalled brands that have been included in the initial and expanded recall (Available at FDA.gov/food). Recalled products should no longer be available for sale, but if consumers have these products in their homes, they should check the lot code on the bottom of the package to determine if it is included in the recall.

The FDA is also providing additional information for parents and caregivers of infants receiving medical specialty infant formula and individuals using certain medical foods.

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## Pioneers Remember Valdez Earthquake

SUZIE KOKLICH &  
THE PIONEERS OF ALASKA

On Sunday, March 27 at 5:30 p.m., Igloos Two and Seven of the Pioneers of Alaska hosted a memorial service in memory of those

lost in Valdez and PWS as a result of the earthquake on that date in 1964.

Mayor Sharon Scheidt read a proclamation and former governor Bill Walker, who was a 12-year-old boy growing up in Valdez at the

time of the quake, read the names of those lost. This event is hosted annually by the Pioneers of Alaska Igloos Two and Seven as a way to honor those lost and also to help preserve the history of our great state.



Photo courtesy the Pioneers of Alaska

# Happenings North of the Arctic Circle

NED ROZELL -  
ALASKA SCIENCE FORUM

**NORTH OF COLDFOOT** — Though the calendar calls it springtime, the thermometer on the truck reads minus 28 F on this sunny morning a few days past spring equinox.

I am riding shotgun with Knut Kielland, an ecologist at the Institute of Arctic Biology at the University of Alaska Fairbanks. He has invited me to join him for a week north of the Arctic Circle — 66.6 degrees north latitude, about 150 miles from Fairbanks.

We have crossed the imaginary line the easy way, by driving three hours north of Fairbanks on the Dalton Highway, built in the early 1970s to enable the construction of the trans-Alaska pipeline.

Kielland is here to live-trap lynx, and to slip collars on them that will enable him and others to see where the boreal-forest cats roam. In this study executed by scientists from several agencies in Alaska and Canada, he and others have found lynx have mysteriously trotted very far from the valley drained by the middle fork of the Koyukuk River. For example, one lynx trotted to the mouth of the Yukon River, another to northern British Columbia.

Kielland is encouraged today because one of his trail cams outside an open cage trap has a lynx filling a photo frame. Our task for the day is setting the traps using a “concoction” of scent he mixed including fish oil and



A musk ox feeds in the forest just north of Coldfoot.

Photo by Ned Rozell

dried beaver castor (a gland within the beaver that smells surprisingly pleasant).

As we drive north from the truck stop/restaurant/motel at Coldfoot, Kielland slows the Chevy Suburban near a small, frozen creek.

“Keep a lookout for a bear-looking thingy,” he says. “A musk ox has been hanging around in these woods.”

And there it is, a brownish-white lump amid live and dead spruce trees. Though it is 100 yards away, we see the musk ox digging at the ground with its cloven hooves, perhaps in the act of feeding on some vegetation under the snow.

Though he first came to Alaska to work on a musk ox farm near Unalakleet in the 1970s, Kielland says he has no idea what this animal might be doing in the forest so close to all the big trucks bringing stuff to and from the oilfields north of us.

Musk oxen are creatures of the tundra — of which there is quite a bit on the North Slope, just 60 miles away on the other side of the Brooks Range. Locals in Wiseman offered that this musk ox might be a lone bull driven from the rest by a more dominant one who stayed north with his harem.

Survivors from the last Ice Age, musk oxen are

huge; even females weigh a quarter ton. The creatures disappeared from Alaska in perhaps the late 1800s, but professionals with the U.S. Biological Survey imported 34 from Greenland to Alaska in 1930.

From that hardy stock that lived and multiplied on Nunivak Island off the coast of southwestern Alaska, biologists transported 51 to Barter Island in 1969 to 1970, and at the same time 13 more near the Kavik River, about 100 miles west of Barter Island.

This musk ox of the northern forest near Wiseman is probably related to those pioneer creatures. In the early 2000s, scientists documented grizzly bears wrestling down, killing and feeding on the far-north musk oxen, putting a dent in their numbers.

Maybe hanging out in the forest by the road is a good way to avoid the only predator that would mess with a musk ox (though grizzlies and black bears are still hibernating). We drive by the lonely animal with the mystery unsolved.

Not much farther north, we see a hillside lobe of soil

and drunken trees flowing slowly toward the highway. It is one of 23 “frozen debris lobes” identified by UAF and state-agency scientists. Since I last walked through this area in 2017, workers for the Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities re-routed the highway away from a boreal blob that has oozed downhill more than 30 feet each of the last couple years.

Scientists describe the flows as a landslide in permafrost. They are striking now, in late winter, snowy tongues reaching into the dark green forest.

Next week, I will describe live-trapping lynx with Kielland, and the project in which he’s involved that has revealed so much about the wild cat that roams farthest from the equator.

## Additional Photos Pg. 3

Since the late 1970s, the University of Alaska Fairbanks’ Geophysical Institute has provided this column free in cooperation with the UAF research community. Ned Rozell is a science writer for the Geophysical Institute.



# Nancy Jane Ramey Lethcoe 1940-2022

Nancy Jane Ramey Lethcoe, 81, died the evening of March 30, 2022 from heart failure at the Providence Hospital, Valdez, Alaska.

A Memorial Service will be held on Prince William Sound in the summer.

Nancy was born June 29, 1940, in Seattle, Washington to Randall Stoner Ramey and Louise Boulware Ramey. She grew up, with her two younger sisters, on Mercer Island. Swimming and swimming lessons, canoeing, and family camping trips filled summer days.

Nancy's enthusiasm and ability caught the eye of a local swimming coach and before long she was competing in swim meets around the state and on the West Coast. In 1956, Nancy won a silver medal in the summer Olympics in Melbourne, Australia and in 1958 set world records in both the 100-meter and 200-meter butterfly races. The Hungarian Revolution (1956) coincided with the Olympics, and when Nancy returned, she brought Susie Ordogh, a Hungarian swimmer back with her.

Nancy graduated from Mercer Island High School as a member of the first graduating class (1958), and

the University of Washington (1963) with a B.S. in Philosophy. Nancy married James R. Lethcoe in 1962 and the two of them moved to Wisconsin for graduate degrees.

Nancy received her Ph.D. in Far East Religions in 1967. Shortly thereafter they moved to Anchorage, Alaska where Nancy was a lecturer at the Alaska Methodist University and also taught at Anchorage Community College and at the University of Alaska's South Central Regional Center. In 1972 Nancy began an Assistant Professorship at Stanford University in Buddha studies. However, the draw of Alaska soon brought Nancy and her family back to Prince William Sound.

Jim and Nancy anticipated the boom in ecotourism in Prince William Sound and developed Alaska Wilderness Sailing Safaris offering sailing charters out of the Whittier and later Valdez harbors. Their experience on the Sound led to the development of the quintessential guide to the waters of PWS: "Cruising Guide to Prince William Sound," now in its 5th edition. In addition to the Cruising Guide, Nancy and Jim wrote "A History of

Prince William Sound" and "Valdez Gold Rush Trails." Nancy wrote "Observer's Guide to the Glaciers of Prince William Sound."

For many years Nancy, Jim, and their daughter Athena lived aboard their sailboat in Valdez Harbor where they continued sailing charters in the summer and writing and volunteering in Valdez in the winter. Nancy was an activist and championed many ecological issues and actions.

Her husband, James R Lethcoe and daughters, Athena Ann Lethcoe and Sita Marie Lethcoe, preceded her in death.

She is survived by her sisters, Rae Ellen Ramey Syverson of Gibbon, NE, Elizabeth Louise Ramey Mates of Monroe, WA, and her "honorary" sister, Susie Ordogh Zimsen.

Remembrances may be sent to the Valdez Museum and Historical Archives, P.O. Box 8, Valdez 99686; or the Thich Nhat Hanh Foundation, 2499 Melru Lane, Escondido, CA 92026. Final arrangements being made through Valley Funeral Home in Wasilla, Alaska.



Photo by Ned Rozell

The boreal blob scientists call a "frozen debris lobe," a landslide in permafrost. There are more than 20 of these flowing from the hills north of Coldfoot.



Photo courtesy Knut Kielland

A lynx visits a live trap left open by ecologist Knut Kielland.



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UAF ecologist Knut Kielland listens for a lynx he collared last year not far from Wiseman.

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### Copper River School District

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#### PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT

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#### SURPLUS SALE

Sealed bids will be received by the Copper River School District Office, PO Box 108, Glennallen, AK 99588, until 1 p.m. on Friday, April 15, 2022, and then opened for the following equipment (Low bids are listed by the items):

- Lincoln Idealarc 250 AC/DC Welder \$800
- Miller Dialarc 250 AC/DC Welder \$700
- Hobart TR 250 AC/DC Welder \$300
- Miller XRA Extended Reach Wire Feed Welder \$350
- Lincoln V205T TIG Welder \$750
- Lincoln SP255 Wire Feed Welder \$1,000
- Thermal Dynamics Cutmaster 102 Plasma Cutter \$200
- Coats 5040A Rim Clamp Tire Changer \$2,000

Contact Bob Stickney with questions at 715-610-1559 or [bstickney@crsd.us](mailto:bstickney@crsd.us). Thank you!



**Wildlife Notes:**

**Signs of an Owl**

The whitewash that splotted some of the branches was usually a sign of young raptors. Because hawks do not have young this early in the season, the nest was most likely used by an owl.

Many bird parents do not allow the feces of their young to accumulate beneath the nest. After being fed, a baby jay (after the fashion of all other “song” birds) almost stands on its head while defecating, and the adults catch the feces in order to eat them or dump them elsewhere. Hygiene at the nest is a matter of life and death because the fecal wastes mark the location of the defenseless young for hungry nest predators.

To a powerful predator like the owl, however, there is little danger should a squirrel or marten decide to sniff out the source of the nest droppings; the owl parents would intercept such plans.

The nest’s surrounds bore further evidence of the presence of owls. There were wings, feathers, a rabbit’s tibia bone with the foot still attached, and pellets containing crushed and splintered bones. Then, as if to consolidate my wonderings about the pellets, feces, and identity of the nest, a great horned owl sailed out of the tree, flew silently to a neighboring tree, and glared at me.

*This note is from One Man’s Owl, one of Bernd Heinrich’s early books—and a fascinating look into how a field biologist thinks and works. Wildlife Notes are brought to you by Copper Country Alliance.*

# White Gold: A Tribute to WESC Opens at the Valdez Museum

VALDEZ MUSEUM  
PRESS RELEASE

The Valdez Museum & Historical Archive is pleased to announce its temporary exhibit, White Gold: A Tribute to the World Extreme Skiing Championships. It is a must-see for winter recreation enthusiasts, telling the story of Valdez’s game-changing entry into the world of winter sports.

Between 1991 and 2000, the World Extreme Skiing Championships (WESC) helped to define the word “extreme” and made a name for the town as a winter destination.

While the last WESC exhibit displayed in 2008, this White Gold features new artifacts, insights and personal stories that express the lasting impacts made by this event.

The photo montage below is from the museum’s WESC Collection, and it offers a taste of the thrills experienced by WESC participants!

The exhibit is on display March 29 — May 1, Valdez Museum on Egan Drive. For more information please contact Executive Director Patricia Relay at 907-835-2764 or prelay@valdezmuseum.org.



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**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**  
**SIDE YARD AND FRONT YARD SETBACK VARIANCE**

The Valdez Planning and Zoning Commission will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, April 13, 2022 at 7:00 pm in the City Council Chambers at 212 Chenega Ave.

This hearing was rescheduled due to the lack of a quorum at the previously scheduled hearing.

The purpose of the hearing is to take public testimony concerning a variance request to allow placement of a shed within the required side yard setback area and front yard setback area. The subject property is Lot 41, Black Gold Subdivision No. 2, Plat 74-5 (505 W. Klutina Street). The applicant and property owner is James H. Smith.

The public is encouraged to attend the hearing to provide comments or may submit comments in writing to the Planning Department prior to the meeting. Submitted comments will be presented to the Planning & Zoning Commission. Submissions by email may be sent to: bwall@valdezak.gov.

Anyone having questions concerning this notice, or who would like more detailed information should contact the Planning Department at 907-834-3451.

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# School Board, Continued from Pg. 1

according to Sgt. Briggs. Troopers are also seeing a lot of Suboxone which comes in a film that quickly absorbs under the tongue.

Sgt. Briggs traced the evolution of the drug problem in the Copper River basin over the last decade. While marijuana and alcohol have always been around, authorities saw a rise in prescription pill abuse. “Kids kinda trended into getting meds from home,” which Sgt. Briggs said became a sizable issue.

There was an effort to raise public awareness about the need to secure medication cabinets. With the rise of awareness, pharmaceuticals became harder to find and addicts shifted to street drugs.

“Now the methamphetamine and the heroin are through the roof,” said Sgt. Briggs. “It’s worse now than it has ever been. The drugs are coming over the border in the hundreds of millions of tons every year.”

Briggs spent time in Palmer on a drug unit, and they are intercepting large amounts of heroin and methamphetamine every week. “Straight-up kilos like you see in the movies, cartel stamps on them, coming right into the Mat-Su Valley. And that stuff is coming

here,” said Briggs, adding that the Copper River Basin is seeing a large uptick right now, “and it’s continually getting worse.”

School and law enforcement authorities have seen a rapid rise in vaping in CRSD schools. When asked by Board Member Hannah Bengtson if students are vaping nicotine or marijuana, Sgt. Briggs replied, “Everything. You can get on the black web and you can order anything you want and deliver it right to this post office right here.”

In addition to THC oils, there has been a rise in vaping methamphetamine, heroin, and fentanyl. The smell is often masked with fruity scents, and he mentioned they’re seeing heroin which smells strongly of vinegar when vaped.

Sgt. Briggs also sounded the alarm over fake Oxycodone 30 mg tablets they’re seeing in the community. The little blue pills contain fentanyl, and the dose in each pill varies. “Three kids buy these pills. Two of them will do these pills and they’ll be high. Then the third one will die,” said Briggs.

Bengtson asked if they were being manufactured in Alaska, and Sgt. Briggs said they were coming from

cartels. “Mexico can buy direct from China. They can buy hundreds of tons of pure fentanyl, or carfentanyl, and that stuff then gets pressed into these pills, it comes over the border, and it’s dispersed all over.”

Recently, troopers in Glennallen have seen a drug called “grey death,” which looks like concrete powder and contains a mixture of heroin, fentanyl, carfentanyl, and other pharmaceuticals.

In response to the rise of drugs in area schools, CRSD will be obtaining Narcan rescue kits to reverse opioid overdoses.

Trooper Somerville said they’ve recently seen cases where students are getting drugs while in the Valley or Anchorage with their parents. Social media is being utilized to arrange meetings with drug dealers. “Your child stays in the car when you run into the pharmacy or the grocery store for two minutes, and they’re meeting your child at your car in the parking lot,” said Trooper Somerville.

President Scott closed out the work session by asking for recommendations CRSD could implement, and Sgt. Briggs said the most important thing is communication. He stressed that information

can be brought to the Troopers anonymously, and intervening in drug distribution and use saves lives.

Opening the School Board Meeting, the Board accepted the resignation of eight teachers and one paraprofessional. They also hired a daytime custodian and an intensive paraprofessional.

Superintendent Ashton brought the matter of the International Society for Technology in Education (ISTE) Conference back before the Board, which previously voted against approving the travel expense. This time the measure was approved and up to seven staff members and two board members will attend the conference in New Orleans, LA the last week of June.

Adoption of the 2022-2023 School Calendar was

approved. Parent Marce Simeon gave a public comment stating that she’d like to see the calendar approved two years out. With COVID, information needed to create the calendar has not been available that far out, but the board agreed more notice for parents is ideal.

The board declined to send members to the Alaska Association of School Boards’ Legislative Fly-In.

Approval was given on the sale and purchase of new district vehicles. A prior Transportation Committee meeting discussed the need in detail.

Also approved was an Impact Aid application, a surplus of shop equipment, and revisions to the AR 2110 Organizational Chart which details staff lines of responsibility.

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# COMMUNITY CALENDAR

## Miscellany

**AA-Glennallen:** meetings Wednesday nights, 7-8pm at the Public Library in Glennallen.

**Alzheimer's Resource of Alaska:** Are you caring for a family member with Alzheimer's disease or a related disorder in the Copper River Basin? Call Alzheimer's Resource of Alaska, Gay Wellman 822-5620 or 800-478-1080 ext 6.

**American Legion: Gladys M. Heintz Memorial Post 27.** The American Legion provides service to veterans, veteran's families, and the communities where they live. Meetings first Wed. of every month, 7pm Music jams Wed. nights, 7pm, except first Wed of the month, 8pm. The American Legion is a great place for your community event. Call 822-3227.

**Caregiver Support Group:** available for anyone caring for a loved one either at home or away. Meets twice a month for encouragement, education and support and now meets by phone only and is open for anyone anywhere. We meet from 1-2pm the 1st Saturday of each month and the 3rd Wednesday of each month. Call Gay Wellman for more information at 822-5620

**Celebrate Recovery:** offers help to overcome hurts, hang-ups and habits by turning to God. Meets Saturdays at 12pm at Mt. Drum Lutheran Church. Call 710-7007 for a ride.

**Celebrate Recovery:** "Celebrating Recovery: please join us every Wednesday from 6:30 to 8:30 at the Gulkana library. We gather for fellowship and celebrate to God's healing power as we work our way along the road to recovery. There will be dinner provided!"

**Chamber of Commerce Membership Dinners:** are held the fourth Thursday of each month except summer season. Currently held online.

**Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors Monthly Meeting:** held the 1st Tuesday of every month at 5:45pm at the Ahtna Headquarters, Glennallen.

**Chitina Lighthouse Mission:** meets 1st & 3rd Sunday of each month at 11am in Chitina by the wayside. Sponsored by the Anchorage Wesleyan Nazarene Church.

**Copper Basin Lions Club:** meetings 1st and 3rd Tuesdays, various locations. For info call Marianne Williams 822-3005.

**Copper Basin Senior Citizens:** Seniors meet at the Senior Center in Glennallen for a pot-luck lunch the last Thurs of the month except Nov and Dec. Rent the building at \$100/day for your special occasion: birthday party, graduation party, yard Sale, etc. Call 822-5400.

**Copper Valley Community Library:** Our Lobby is closed until further notice. Curbside service hours are Tuesday - Saturday 1PM to 4PM. Call 822-5427, email: cvcla@cvinternet.net or stop by the library and ring our front door bell for help or to checkout materials from the library. All returned items are quarantined for 7 days; they will remain checked out to your account during this time. We have suspended fines for the duration of the COVID pandemic. Printing, copying, scanning and faxing along with a

public use computer are available during open hours. Please call ahead to make an appointment, time slots are limited. Social distancing and face masks are required at all times.

**Copper Valley Historical Society:** needs community support as it continues its mission to protect the artifacts that tell the stories of our area's history, and to share those stories with thousands of visitors each year. Dues and donations can be mailed to CVHS, PO Box 84, Copper Center, 99573. Call Barb 822-3669.

**Gakona Volunteer Fire Dept:** Training, every month, second Tuesday, 6:30pm. Board Meeting, each quarter (Jan/Apr/Jul/Oct), second Saturday at 10am. All are welcome. Gakona Fire Hall is located at Mile 2.3 Tok Cutoff. Call 259-3030 with questions.

**Glennallen VFW Post 10682:** provides service to veterans, veteran's families, and the communities where they live. Meetings are the Third Thursday of every month @ 1900 hours. Contact: Dana Becker Commander VFW Post 10682 Ph# 907-259-3262

**Glennallen DMV:** Open Mon-Thurs, 8:30am-4:30pm, closed for lunch 11am-noon. Call 822-3999 for info.

**Glenn Rich Fire Dept:** Monthly training third Thursday of the month at 6pm

**Glennallen LIO Office:** The Glennallen LIO Office is closed for the summer. If anyone needs immediate help, contact the Juneau LIO at (907)465-4648.

**Kenny Lake Volunteer Fire Squad:** training meetings first Tuesday of every month at 7pm at the Fire Hall in Kenny Lake.

**Kenny Lake Community League Board:** meetings are now held the 3rd Tuesday of every month at 7pm at the Community Hall. Come help make the decisions that affect our community.

**Kenny Lake Devotional Gathering:** the 4th Sunday of every month, from 4 to 5pm at the KL Public Library, to provide the opportunity for prayers and spiritual encouragement to anyone interested in an ecumenical gathering with basic courtesy and respect for each other's beliefs and no proselytizing or politics. Call 822-3418.

**Kenny Lake Public Library:** Now open! Hours are Monday, Thursday, Friday, and Saturday from 1:00-4:00 and Tuesday 4:00-7:00. Social distancing, mask wearing, hand hygiene, and staying home when sick encouraged.

**Local Emergency Planning Committee Meetings:** The Copper River LEPC meets every 2nd Thursday of the month at 10am at CVT in Glennallen. Members and the public are encouraged to attend. Call 907-822-3203 for more info. <http://www.copperriverlepc.net>

**Reformer Unanimous:** Tired of being bound by your addictions? Come and join RU. Meetings every Fri at 7pm at Mt. View Baptist Church (Mile .3 of the Edgerton Hwy). Call 822-5262.

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### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Valdez Planning and Zoning Commission will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, April 13, 2022 at 7:00 pm in the City Council Chambers at 212 Chenega Ave.

The purpose of the hearing is to take public testimony concerning a rezoning application for Lot 1C, USS 197, Plat 2007-15 (7455 Richardson Highway) from Rural Residential to Commercial Residential. The applicant and property owner is William Amberg.

The public is encouraged to attend the hearing to provide comments or may submit comments in writing to the Planning Department prior to the meeting. Submitted comments will be presented to the Planning & Zoning Commission. Submissions by email may be sent to: [bwall@valdezak.gov](mailto:bwall@valdezak.gov).

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# Mountain Motivation - Steve Radotich

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I first met Steve at the 2021 Valdez Fat Bike Bash where he was volunteering on the trail - always on the move. When I caught up with Steve, he was in one of his usual spots: on the city dock looking at weather. It was just turning from rain to snow and he was hoping it would get a bit cooler so he could get out on the flat calm of the water on his paddle board. Steve is a Valdez resident who has spent 33 winters adventuring around the area and there doesn't seem to be any slowing down in his future. He paddles, skis, teaches, guides, and jams with a local band. And that's in his retirement.

## What is your name and what do you do?

My name is Steve Radotich and I'm technically retired, but I do a lot of odd jobs so I stay busy. Gives me a lot of time to play.

## What keeps you motivated every day?

I try to get out and have some kind of adventure every day. Whether I go paddle boarding or skiing in the winter time. And in the summertime I go paddle every day unless it's just pouring. In the winter, I love to ski so I go ski in the morning and paddle in the afternoon. You have to get the powder when it's there which is the morning. Now that the days are getting long I can ski all day and catch sunset paddles.

I hate the gym. I haven't been to a gym in three decades. I don't like being cooped up inside. I just like to get exercise, so I try to get out and get exercise everyday. I used to have a dog team for 29 years so I got into a routine. I used to run the dogs six days a week and I worked full time. I had to run the dogs every day so I just built that in every day. I just stuck with that. Now we're on the ski hill at 8 a.m. a lot so we can rattle out a ton of turns and be off

doing something else by 11.

## What is your morning routine?

Well, I get up early. I'm an early riser. I do my social media thing right away and then I get out and do something. I'm on social media by 6:30 and then hit the shower and get out and do something because the early bird gets the worm. Sunrise paddling or sunrise skiing - try to catch those. It's the nice thing about being retired. I'm free to do a lot of that kind of stuff. And my side jobs are teaching classes and giving guided tours. It's more like playing. And I play music! Pre-COVID we used to be pretty busy, but at least we have the 4th of July booked - we have a big fish fry here.

## What is your favorite sport?

Oh, boy. That's a hard one! Kinda depends on the year. You know I really have a passion for paddle boarding and skiing. Those are my two favorite things to do. That's my favorite double header. But I do love to play softball still. And I coached football for 16 years. I'll play football still. I'll play tackle still and I'm old! I'd have to say it's a toss up because I do equal (paddle and ski). If it's a powder day I'll ski because I can paddle board more often. And I like to sail too. I like to be on the water whether it's liquid or frozen. I even like to ice skate too, but it's not my top favorite.

## What is your recovery process?

Oh, you know, I've stayed in good shape over the years and - I'll say it - when I got to the tournaments the young guys are more sore than I am after the tournament. Unless it's something brutal. I do drink a lot of water - so I try to drink half my body weight in ounces of water - I drink at least 90 ounces of water a day. And then that kind of offsets anything else I drink: red bull, beer, you know, things like that.

## What are your recovery foods?

I don't eat processed foods by any means. I'm not a vegetarian by any means. I'm a huge meat eater, but I try not to eat processed stuff and I eat a ton of vegetables, you know, a real diet. I cook my own food, I don't eat out much - that kind of thing. And that's kind of the key. We don't eat a lot of fast food and stuff like that.

Living in Valdez it's easy to not eat a lot of fast food. Even pizza I make at home and I know what goes in my pizza - not a ton of salt and stuff like that. And that really does aid the recovery time. Because I peel logs in the summer and I'll go up and do that four or five days in a row and I stay super hydrated and I bring my own food. I eat real food. I like a little ice cream every now and then, but I like a ton of vegetables all the time.

## Are you a book person or movie person?

Actually, I'm a magazine person.

## What are you reading/watching right now - or - your favorite?

We cut off the cable over 32 years ago before we had internet and I do watch movies occasionally. Before COVID maybe I watched 15 movies a year. But I like the shorter stuff like The Office and the late night guys. But I'm more of a reader: the newspapers or Sports Illustrated, Powder Magazine, SUP International. Anything related to my hobbies, I love to read about it.



Photo by Rich Loftin

Steve Radotich enjoying calm seas and snowy mountains.

And when I want to learn about stuff I'll go on YouTube and that's how I went from a beginner sailor to an intermediate sailor. Learning about wind and sailing - just by watching YouTube and reading about it. I like to learn about stuff - not a lot of nonsense stuff.

## Do prefer human power modes of transport or engine power?

Human all the way. I am very non motorized. I always said, if it doesn't have a motor I can make it go real fast. I had a dog team for years. I'm a big skier. When I retired my dog team, I got really into paddle boarding all year round. Because when I had a dog team my hardcore months were mid-November through February and then spring would hit and most of the racing was over by then and that's when I would start paddle boarding more. Run

the dogs in the morning and then paddle. I used to do triple headers back then. But I've always been a non motorized person. When I was in high school, I was the guy who took foods 1, creative cooking 1,2,3 because I was an athlete and I liked to eat at the end of the day.

## How do you splurge?

You know, traveling and stuff like that. I don't really buy a lot of toys. I like to travel. Pre-COVID we were always traveling to go see family or go to Hawaii and see something different. But we're starting to get back into it. After a two-year hiatus we're starting to get back into it. I kind of have bucket list trips we shelved because of COVID, but we're starting to get back into it. I'd say that's my biggest splurge ... besides ice cream!

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# Creative Alaskan Gardening, Continued from Pg. 1

in a multitude of colors. Just because your soil might not look like rich loamy chocolate cake, does not mean it is not fit for growing in. If, however, the soil in your yard is sandy, compacted, or rocky, you can build up with raised beds or use containers.

Raised bed kits, milled lumber, plastic or fabric pots all can be purchased and shipped to Alaska at great expense. But why spend the time and money getting materials to rural Alaska? You can scout around your yard, your neighborhood (including the dump!) and see what is available.

Wood boxes full of lettuce plants, old washtubs, a holey boat filled with soil and flowers, and potatoes growing in tires are all ideas found in bush Alaskan yards. Scrap lumber nailed together, a crib of skinny black spruce poles, discarded road fabric sewn into pots, reusable grocery or conference bags, construction bags, and culvert ends are more ideas of containers that can be filled with soil and used for growing flowers and vegetables.

Make sure any container



you choose will drain well and is not made of toxic materials such as treated lumber or railroad ties. Do keep in mind that if the soil from the previous season had diseased plants, that container soil is not fit to be used again for vegetable growing.

Healthy plant soil can be dumped out, mixed with new soil, compost and/or amendments and reused

the next year. Containers and raised beds will warm up faster than the ground in spring and can be covered with scrap plastic or old windows to create a low tunnel or cold frame. Alaska has cold soil so finding ways to warm it up will extend the growing season.

Tomatoes, beans, peppers, and eggplants all need warm soil and warm air, so a greenhouse structure is

needed but these materials can be scavenged as well. Many rural greenhouses have been built with spruce poles, scrap pvc, rebar, scrap wood, and old single pane windows (test for lead paint!) Often you can find everything you need to build a frame and just need to purchase the poly film to go over it.

According to the AK Food Policy Council in 2021:

Alaska imported roughly 95% of food purchased (\$1.9 billion dollars leaving the state). There is only a three-to-five day supply of most foods on store shelves if the supply chain is interrupted. one in seven Alaskans are food insecure, including one in five kids (pre-pandemic) Growing your own and buying from local farms increases Alaska's food security. Visit [buyalaskagrown.com](http://buyalaskagrown.com) to see what is available locally to you.

Sometimes our gardens produce too much food all at once for us to use. What to do? Donate it! Contact your local food pantries, schools and churches to see if they accept produce donations and if they can use what you have. (Always call ahead. Never drop produce off unannounced.) Game meat can also legally be donated to food pantries and schools. More information about donating traditional foods can be accessed here: <https://dec.alaska.gov/eh/fss/food/retail/traditional-foods/>.

Jodie Anderson can be contacted at [jmanderson@alaska.edu](mailto:jmanderson@alaska.edu) or (907) 746-9466.

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## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

### Events

**April 9 & 16 and May 7th, 10 am, Valdez-Copper River Area Forestry, mile 110 of the Richardson Hwy:** Red Card Refresher classes for previously qualified wildland firefighters. Call 907 822-8671 to register.

**Saturday April 9, 10 am - noon, Slana School:** Slana PTO Fundraiser: Spring Break Up Breakfast Breakfast Includes: Scrambled eggs w/ cheese, 3 slices of bacon, Orange or Apple Juice All the pancakes you can eat!! Adults \$10 / Child \$8

**Sunday, April 10, 2022, 4:00 p.m. Gulkana Community Chapel Wild Game Feast:** There will be games like moose poop slingshot, rope toss onto antlers, brass stacking, and guessing games like how many shotgun shells in a jar, or how much fishing line. There will be lots of prizes and food, wild game, and desserts. This event is FREE, and geared for the family, kids and adults will have lots of fun. EVERYONE is invited. There will also be a guest speaker.

**Wednesday, April 13, Senior Center:** CVSC - Senior Citizens Monthly Board Meeting Members welcome. Need input on setting up future bake sales/fund raisers.

**Saturday, April 16th, 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.:** Plastic recycling event in Glennallen at the American Legion yard, 186 Glenn Hwy. PETE #1 Bottles only, and HDPE #2 bottles and jugs only. Please rinse, sort & remove caps. Questions? Please contact Ashley Hicks at ashleyhicks2001@yahoo.com.

**Saturday, April 16, 2022, 5 pm Slana Community Corporation Center:** Slana Community Corporation Meeting

**Sunday, April 17, 2022, 9:30 am Gulkana Community Chapel:** Everyone is invited to celebrate Easter with us! We will be having a short service on the bluff at Mile 1 of the Tok Cutoff at 9:30 AM. We will be serving breakfast (ham, eggs, pancakes) at the church at 10:15 AM. We will have our regular Easter Service in the sanctuary at 11:00 AM

**April 23-24, April 30-May 1, Field Day - May 7th. 8:30 at Valdez Copper River Area Forestry, mile 110 of the Richardson Hwy:** Wildland Firefighter Incident Qualification (Red) Card Class. You must be 16 years old to take the class and 18 to be eligible for hire. Call 907 822-8671 to register.

**Thursday, April 28, 11am, Senior Center:** CVSC - Senior Citizens Monthly Luncheon. Come find out what may be going on!

*Do you have an event, meeting, or fundraiser to submit?*

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**Time: 5:00 pm**  
**Location: Valdez and Glennallen Board Rooms**

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### Glennallen

FRI	SAT	SUN
Cloudy	Partly Cloudy	Sunny
40 °F	35 °F	36 °F
16 °F	10 °F	11 °F

### Valdez

FRI	SAT	SUN
Partly Cloudy	Partly Cloudy	Sunny
42 °F	41 °F	43 °F
27 °F	26 °F	28 °F

### McCarthy

FRI	SAT	SUN
Sleet Rain	Partly Cloudy	Sunny
42 °F	39 °F	40 °F
15 °F	12 °F	12 °F

### Delta

FRI	SAT	SUN
Snow	Partly Cloudy	Partly Cloudy
34 °F	27 °F	30 °F
14 °F	13 °F	14 °F

### Tok

FRI	SAT	SUN
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**STATUS UPDATE:** Splicing work is continuing in Tazlina and Klutina areas.

Clearing and surveying throughout this year's planned construction areas will begin in late March.



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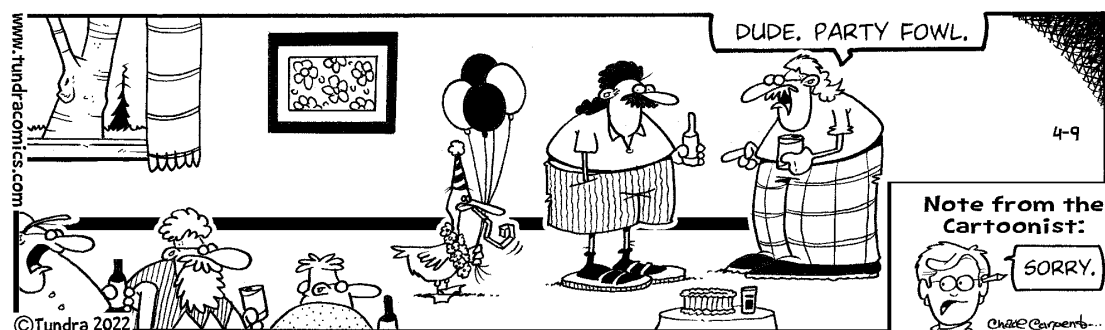
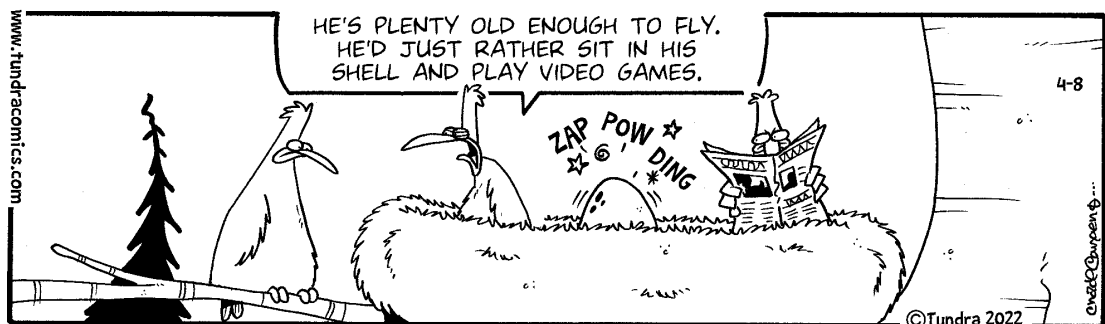
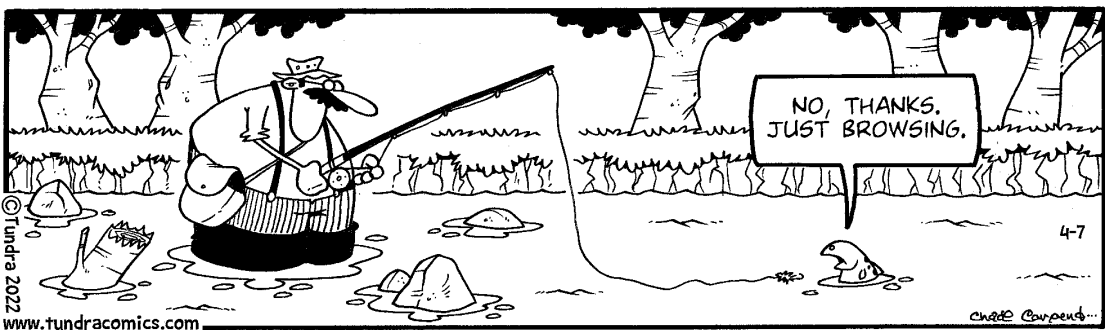
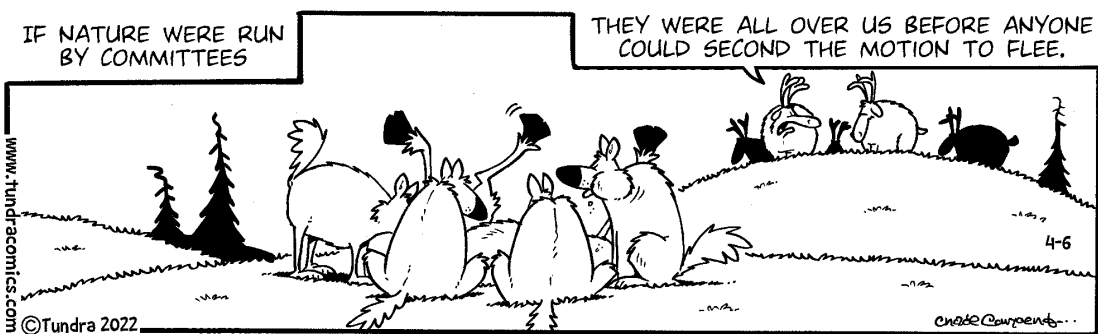
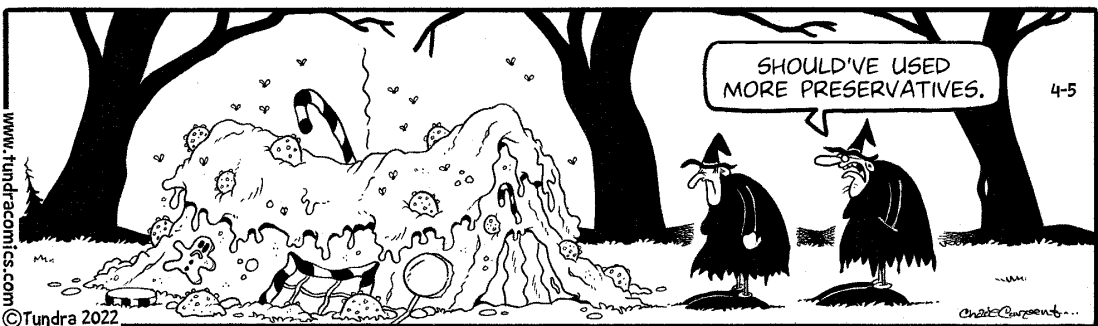
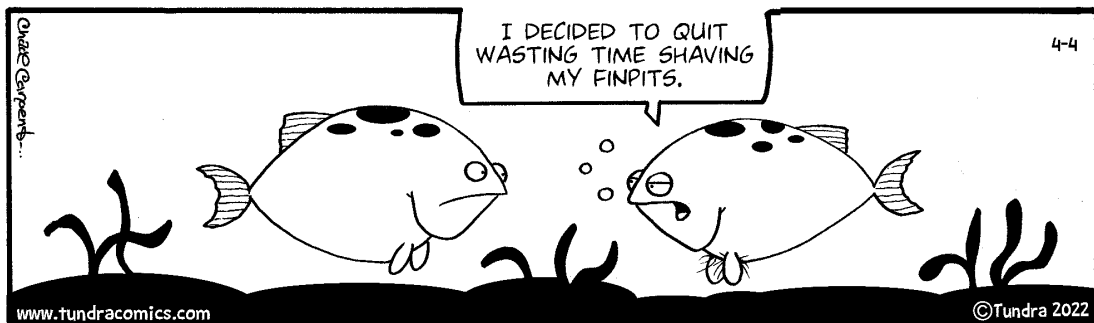


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On April 1, Copper River residents participated in our annual Go Blue Walk to kick off April's Child Abuse awareness month and to show support for child-abuse prevention. Look for the blue pinwheels around town that represent a bright future for our children and our community.



Thanks to history buff Shawn Beiswenger for sharing this image from his collection. This photo, dated from 1908, shows workers constructing the Copper River Railroad.



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*Thought of the Week*

*"Satire is meant to ridicule power. If you are laughing at people who are hurting, it's not satire, it's bullying."*

— Terry Pratchett

**Editor's Notes:**

If you bought this paper at a "newsstand," you may have noticed the increase in price. The cost of printing, shipping, and other aspects of producing the paper have gone up substantially over the past two years without an increase in price. We are keeping our subscription rates at the same rates through the summer, so subscribing is a good way to save a little if you buy the paper often. If you can not afford the newspaper right now, please contact us and we will work with you.

Thanks to Mark Vail for the cache photo in our banner.

Kristin is taking this week off from Nature Journals but the Nature Journal will be back soon, most likely next week.

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The Copper River School District is seeking to fill several positions to cherish our local children! Please contact Naomi Stickney, [nstickney@crsd.us](mailto:nstickney@crsd.us) or 907-822-3234, Ext. 1223, if you are interested in any of the following:

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# Call for Proposals to Change Federal Subsistence Fish, Shellfish Regulations; Proposals to Change Nonrural Determinations

U.S. FISH & WILDLIFE SERVICE - PRESS RELEASE

The Federal Subsistence Board (Board) is accepting proposals through May 16, to change Federal regulations for the subsistence harvest of fish and shellfish on Federal public lands and waters for the 2023-2025 regulatory years (April 1, 2023 – March 31, 2025). The Board will consider proposals to change Federal subsistence fish and shellfish seasons, harvest limits, methods and means related to subsistence uses. In addition, they will accept proposals for customary and traditional use determinations, as it relates to fish and shellfish, and nonrural determinations.

You may submit comments/proposals by one of the following methods:

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# Strange BUT TRUE

By Lucie Winborne

• Maurice Sendak's beloved kids' classic "Where the Wild Things Are" was originally titled "Where the Wild Horses Are." Why the change in title? Sendak realized he was unable to draw horses.

• Rapper Lil' Wayne originally went by the moniker "Shrimp Daddy."

• Not ones to marry in haste and repent at leisure, a Paraguayan couple set up housekeeping in 1933. After 80 years, eight children and 50 grandchildren, the 103-year-old groom finally said a formal "I do" to his 99-year-old bride.

• The prize money for winning the Monopoly World Championship is \$20,580 — the same amount of money there is in the game's bank.

• Modern students who complain about the amount of homework they're issued might well wish they'd lived in the late 1800s and early 1900s, when doctors crusaded against it because they believed it was causing children to become wan, weak and nervous. In 1901, California even banned homework for anyone under the age of 15.

• Over a 24-year career, Roman charioteer Gaius Appuleius Diocles amassed an astonishing fortune worth 35,863,120 sesterces (an ancient Roman coin), or roughly \$15 billion in today's dollars, making him the highest-paid athlete of all time.

• In January 2021, the first commercial 3D-printed house in the U.S. went on sale for \$299,000.

• The term "rum bumber," which originated in the 16th century, referred to a thief who specialized in stealing silver tankards from inns and pubs.

• An actual "chill pill," which could even be made at home, was used in the late 1800s to remedy chills associated with a high fever.

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**Thought for the Day:** "We should live, act, and say nothing to the injury of anyone. It is not only best as a matter of principle, but it is the path to peace and honor." — Robert E. Lee

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# Moments in time

THE HISTORY CHANNEL

• On April 17, 1882, several copies of Sheriff Pat Garrett's wildly inauthentic, fictionalized biography, "An Authentic Life of Billy the Kid," arrive at the Library of Congress. The first full, realistic biography of William Bonney (the Kid's principal alias) was not published until 1989.

• On April 16, 1897, Frederick William Winterbotham, one of Britain's top code breakers, is born. Winterbotham would play a decisive role in the World War II Ultra code-breaking project, enabling MI-6 to intercept top secret messages transmitted to and between German armed forces.

• On April 14, 1912, just before midnight in the North Atlantic, the RMS Titanic fails to divert its course from an iceberg, ruptures its hull, and begins to sink. The Titanic's hull was divided into 16 presumed watertight compartments, and the ocean liner was considered unsinkable.

• On April 11, 1921, KDKA in Pittsburgh broadcasts the first live sporting event on the radio, a boxing match. Radio had been used primarily for two-way communication, but KDKA became the first licensed radio station in 1920. Months later the first Major League Baseball game was broadcast.

• On April 12, 1945, President Franklin Roosevelt dies of a cerebral hemorrhage at his home in Warm Springs, Georgia. The only man to be elected to four terms as president, Roosevelt is remembered for his New Deal social policies.

• On April 15, 1967, a massive parade to protest Vietnam War policy is held in New York. Police estimated that 100,000 to 125,000 people listened to speeches by Martin Luther King, Jr. and Dr. Benjamin Spock. Prior to the march, youth burned nearly 200 draft cards in Central Park.

• On April 13, 1978, opening day at Yankee Stadium, the New York Yankees give away thousands of Reggie! candy bars to fans, who toss them onto the field after star outfielder Reggie Jackson homers in his first at-bat.

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**LIBRA** (September 23 to October 22) A stress-filled period takes a positive turn as you deal with the underlying problem. Act now to avoid a recurrence by changing some basic rules in your relationship.

**SCORPIO** (October 23 to November 21) Your rising energy levels make it easier for you to achieve some important objectives. This could lead to a big boost in how you're perceived, both at home and on the job.

**SAGITTARIUS** (November 22 to December 21) A changing picture begins to emerge as you learn more about an offer that seemed so right but could be so wrong. Look to a trusted adviser for guidance.

**CAPRICORN** (December 22 to January 19) Spiritual aspects are strong. Take time to reflect on the path you're on and where you hope it will lead you. It's also a good time to reach out to loved ones.

**AQUARIUS** (January 20 to February 18) You could be assuming far too many responsibilities, whether it's at work or in personal matters. Be careful that you're not weighed down by them.

**PISCES** (February 19 to March 20) You're getting closer to your goals. And since nothing succeeds like success (or the promise thereof), don't be surprised to find new supporters swimming alongside you.

**BORN THIS WEEK:** You are always the first to try new ventures and confront new challenges. You inspire others with your courage to follow your bold example.

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# Super Crossword LOBBY GROUP

- ACROSS**
- 1 Hero-worship
  - 8 Not — (fair to middling)
  - 13 Gave a prize to
  - 20 Big name in cassette tapes, once
  - 21 Bad booze
  - 22 "Wouldn't It Be —" ("My Fair Lady" song)
  - 23 Start of a riddle
  - 26 Came after that
  - 27 Violin master Mischa
  - 28 Library no-no
  - 29 Aflame
  - 32 "Every day — new day"
  - 33 ETs' craft
  - 34 Brief tussle
  - 36 Riddle, part 2
  - 44 Not wholly
  - 45 "Cool" moola amount
  - 46 Bottom
  - 47 Pro-school gp.
  - 48 "Hi, Don Ho!"
  - 49 Tease in fun
  - 51 Store window info: Abbr.
  - 52 Smear all over
  - 55 Riddle, part 3
  - 57 — bah (big wheel: Var.)
  - 58 Reach as far as
  - 59 "On the Beach" novelist
  - 60 Jimmy Dorsey hit
  - 62 More furtive
  - 63 "Uncle Moses" novelist
  - 66 Riddle, part 4
  - 69 Gen — (millennials)
  - 70 Rental for relocation
  - 72 Flip out
  - 73 Feudal toilers
  - 75 Novelty
  - 77 Miniver's title
  - 78 Riddle, part 5
  - 82 Moon of Neptune
  - 83 Be the victor
  - 84 Sci-fi sage
  - 85 Lasso part
  - 86 Suffix with east
  - 87 "Oh, really?"
  - 89 Country singer Tillis
  - 90 Charge to run a promo
  - 91 End of the riddle
  - 97 Firebug's crime
  - 98 Possible reply to "Are you sure?"
  - 99 "That's the guy!"
  - 100 Calendar spans: Abbr.
  - 101 Tehran native
  - 104 Candle parts
  - 106 Dominion
  - 109 Riddle's answer
  - 115 Barbuda's partner island
  - 116 — two (a few)
  - 117 Books filled with maps
  - 118 Most sharp
  - 119 Space of "3 Women"
  - 120 Pedicure target
  - 12 — McAn (big name in footwear)
  - 13 Format of AP Radio Network
  - 14 "Alas!"
  - 15 Lemmon/Wilder comedy
  - 16 Take hold again, as a plant
  - 17 Three, in Munich
  - 18 Yale alumni
  - 19 Bit of force
  - 24 Try, as a case
  - 25 Turkish VIPs of old
  - 29 Wash gently against, as the shore
  - 30 Novelist Calvino
  - 31 Dice toss
  - 33 Infantry division
  - 35 1990s fitness fad
  - 37 Tom Cruise's role in "Mission: Impossible"
  - 38 Get — start (not begin on time)
  - 39 "Sure, put me down for it"
  - 40 Not in the country
  - 41 Neck and neck, scorewise
  - 42 Fix at the vet's
  - 43 Eva, Magda and Zsa Zsa
  - 49 Objects
  - 50 Middle name of Emerson
  - 51 Rhino's pair
  - 53 Canon camera series
  - 54 Under oath legally
  - 56 Roman 106
  - 57 Odists, e.g.
  - 58 Swiss canton or its capital
  - 60 Reject rudely
  - 61 Lay new turf on
  - 63 Her niece is Dorothy Gale
  - 64 Shepherd once of "The View"
  - 65 Sounding like a crow
  - 67 Bad blood
  - 68 Prefix with cuspid
  - 71 Zodiac feline
  - 74 Italian handbag brand
  - 76 Pouty states
  - 78 Shed feathers
  - 79 Composer Camichael
  - 80 On the move
  - 81 Many minors
  - 83 Hot dog, informally
  - 84 Rural assent to a woman
  - 88 Feline in competitions
  - 89 Ailment with red spots
  - 90 Confess about
  - 92 Submit, as homework
  - 93 Emergency room sorting
  - 94 Waikiki wear
  - 95 "Alas!"
  - 96 Bites lightly
  - 101 "Out of Africa" writer
  - 102 Bit of Viking writing
  - 103 Poker post
  - 105 Corp. money handlers
  - 106 "Climb — Mountain"
  - 107 Make mad
  - 108 Israeli statesman
  - 110 Frat letters
  - 111 Calendar spans: Abbr.
  - 112 Onetime foe of the USSR
  - 113 Waikiki wear
  - 114 Immigrants' class, in brief

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# Salome's Stars

**ARIES** (March 21 to April 19) Avoid having someone else take credit for the project you started by finishing it yourself. Then it will be you lovely Lambs who will be wearing those well-deserved laurels.

**TAURUS** (April 20 to May 20) The facts about a new opportunity are still emerging. Wait until they're all out in the open, and then use your keen business sense to help make the right decision.

**GEMINI** (May 21 to June 20) You might feel confused, even hurt by a friend who suddenly puts distance between you. If she or he won't discuss it, don't push it. An explanation should come in time.

**CANCER** (June 21 to July 22) Your willingness to be part of the team opens doors that had been shut to you. Keep them open by keeping your promises even when your commitment seems to be wavering.

**LEO** (July 23 to August 22) Congratulations. You're really getting things done to purr-fection. And don't forget to take a catnap now and again to keep those energy levels up and bristling for action.

**VIRGO** (August 23 to September 22) Your "plain-talking" honesty is admirable. But sometimes sharp words can leave painful scars. Be careful that what you say doesn't come back to hurt you.

# BIBLE TRIVIA

by Wilson Casey

1. Is the book of Revelation in the Old Testament or New Testament or neither?
  2. From Deuteronomy 18, who prophesied that Jesus would speak all the Father commanded? *Abraham, Aaron, Moses, Noah*
  3. Where did Jesus raise Lazarus from the dead? *Smyrna, Bethany, Antioch, Cana*
  4. In Hebrews 7, which priest was the "King of peace"? *Ezekiel, Seratah, Melchisedec, Haggai*
  5. How old was Methuselah at his death? *200, 617, 969, 1,102*
  6. From 2 Samuel 8, who was commander of David's army? *Amasa, Joab, Joshua, Julius*
- ANSWERS: 1) New; 2) Moses; 3) Bethany; 4) Melchisedec; 5) 969; 6) Joab
- Sharpen your understanding of scripture with Wilson Casey's latest book, "Test Your Bible Knowledge," available in bookstores and online.
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# Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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**DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK:** ♦  
 ♦ Moderate ♦♦ Challenging  
 ♦♦♦ HOO BOY!  
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**The Oscars (NR)** — If you missed the 94th Academy Awards live premiere on ABC, it's now available to stream. This year, the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences had a much larger film collection to select nominations from than the previous year, due to a smaller number of films being released because of the COVID-19 pandemic. "The Power of the Dog" leads with 12 nominations, followed by "Dune," "West Side Story" and "Belfast." In the Best Picture category, 10 films were nominated, but only five of the directors of those 10 films were nominated for Best Director. With beautiful movies to celebrate and the first performance of the hit song "We Don't Talk About Bruno" from "Encanto," the highly esteemed award show finally makes its way back to its normal state (much like the rest of us). (Hulu)

**Thermae Romae Novae (NR)** — Now available for streaming, "Thermae Romae Novae" is an anime based on the Japanese manga series by Mari Yamazaki. Lucius, an architect from ancient Rome, gets tasked with building a bathhouse, yet he's unable to think of any worthwhile ideas. Suddenly, Lucius gets sucked into a time-traveling tunnel that leads him into a bathhouse in modern Japan. Overwhelmed with all the new inventions that have appeared over centuries and centuries of time, Lucius gets inspired to return to his home and build a bathhouse the ancient Romans never could have imagined in their wildest dreams. (Netflix)

**driving home 2 u (NR)** — Pop superstar Olivia Rodrigo got her

start on Disney+ with a main role on "High School Musical: The Series," and she's back on the streaming platform — this time in a documentary film showcasing her experience creating her very first album, "SOUR." Rodrigo owned the charts last year as a force in pop music that hasn't been seen in a while, and "SOUR" was an incredible success, with her first three singles dominating radio stations and music streaming platforms. Get to know a different, more humanized side of this young songwriter in "driving home 2 u." (Disney+)



Olivia Rodrigo in "driving home 2 u"

**The Fairly Oddparents: Fairly Odder (TV-Y7)** — As the second longest-running television show on Nickelodeon, "The Fairly Oddparents" became a true staple for millennials and Gen Z. While the original animated show wrapped in 2017, a live-action series was put into the works; thus, "The Fairly Oddparents: Fairly Odder" was born. "Fairly Odder" follows Vivian "Viv" Turner, Timmy Turner's cousin, who begins a new life after her family becomes blended in with her father's new wife and her new stepbrother, Roy. From the now older Timmy, she receives a gift to help her navigate her new life: our favorite, very odd, fairy godparents, Cosmo and Wanda! Premieres March 31. (Paramount+)

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## Trivia test by Fifi Rodriguez

1. LANGUAGE: What is a demonym?
2. MEDICAL: What's the common name of a condition called otitis externa?
3. GEOGRAPHY: Which large body of water lies to the south of Ukraine?
4. FOOD & DRINK: Which nut is used to make marzipan?
5. LITERATURE: Who is the author of the poem "The Gift Outright," which was read at President John Kennedy's inauguration in 1961?
6. MEASUREMENTS: What is an octant?
7. GEOLOGY: Which mineral is the softest on the Mohs Scale?
8. ANIMAL KINGDOM: What is the name of a porcupine's baby?
9. GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: What is the name of Barbie's younger sister, introduced in 1964?
10. HISTORY: In which country did the Easter Rising take place in 1916?

### Answers

1. A term used to describe the natives or residents of a country, state or city
2. Swimmer's ear
3. Black Sea
4. Almonds
5. Robert Frost
6. One-eighth of a circle, or 45 degrees
7. Talc
8. Porcupette
9. Skipper
10. Ireland

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## Just Like Cats & Dogs by Dave T. Phipps



### Super Crossword

#### Answers

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**TODAY'S WORD**

# Infant Formula Recall Update from the FDA, Continued from Pg. 1

We understand that infant formula is the sole source of nutrition for many infants and is an essential product. FDA is continuing to work with Abbott Nutrition to better assess the impacts of the recall and understand production capacity at other Abbott facilities that produce some of the impacted brands. We are also working with Abbott Nutrition on safe resumption of production at the Sturgis, MI facility. FDA is continuing to investigate and will update this advisory should additional consumer safety information become available.

### Recommendation

The FDA is advising consumers not to use recalled Similac, Alimentum, or EleCare powdered infant formulas. Recalled products

can be identified by the 7 to 9 digit code and expiration date on the bottom of the package (images available at FDA.gov). Products are included in the recall if they have all three items below:

the first two digits of the code are 22 through 37, and the code on the container contains K8, SH, or Z2, and the expiration date is 4-1-2022 (APR 2022) or later.

In addition to products described above, Abbott Nutrition has recalled Similac PM 60/40 with a lot code 27032K80 (can) / 27032K800 (case). At this time, Similac PM 60/40 with lot code 27032K80 (can) / 27032K800 (case) is the only type and lot of this specialty formula being recalled. Additional recall information for the initial recall is available on

the FDA website. Parents can also enter their product lot code on the company's website to check if it is part of the recall.

Additional Information for Parents and Caregivers:

The recalls do not include liquid formula products.

Parents and caregivers should never dilute infant formula and should not make or feed homemade infant formula to infants. Consumers should also avoid purchasing imported formula through online sales, as it has the potential to be counterfeit.

If your regular formula is not available, contact your child's healthcare provider for recommendations on changing feeding practices.

If you get infant formula through WIC, do not throw the formula out. Instead,

you should take it to the store for a refund and exchange or call the company at 1-800-986-8540 to help you. WIC recipients should be able to obtain a different brand of similar formula. Call your local WIC clinic for more guidance.

More information on Cronobacter and infant formula is available on CDC's website: <https://www.cdc.gov/cronobacter/>.

Recalled powdered infant formulas have the potential to be contaminated with Cronobacter, a bacterium that can cause severe foodborne illness primarily in infants. Cronobacter infections are rare but are especially high risk for newborn infants.

Cronobacter bacteria can cause severe, life-threatening infections (sepsis) or

meningitis (an inflammation of the membranes that protect the brain and spine). Symptoms of sepsis and meningitis may include poor feeding, irritability, temperature changes, jaundice (yellow skin and whites of the eyes), grunting breaths, and abnormal movements. Cronobacter infection may also cause bowel damage and may spread through the blood to other parts of the body.

If your child is experiencing any of these symptoms, you should notify your child's health care provider and seek medical care for your child immediately. Healthcare providers and health departments are encouraged to report any confirmed cases of Cronobacter sakazakii to CDC.

## The Old Gulkana River Village



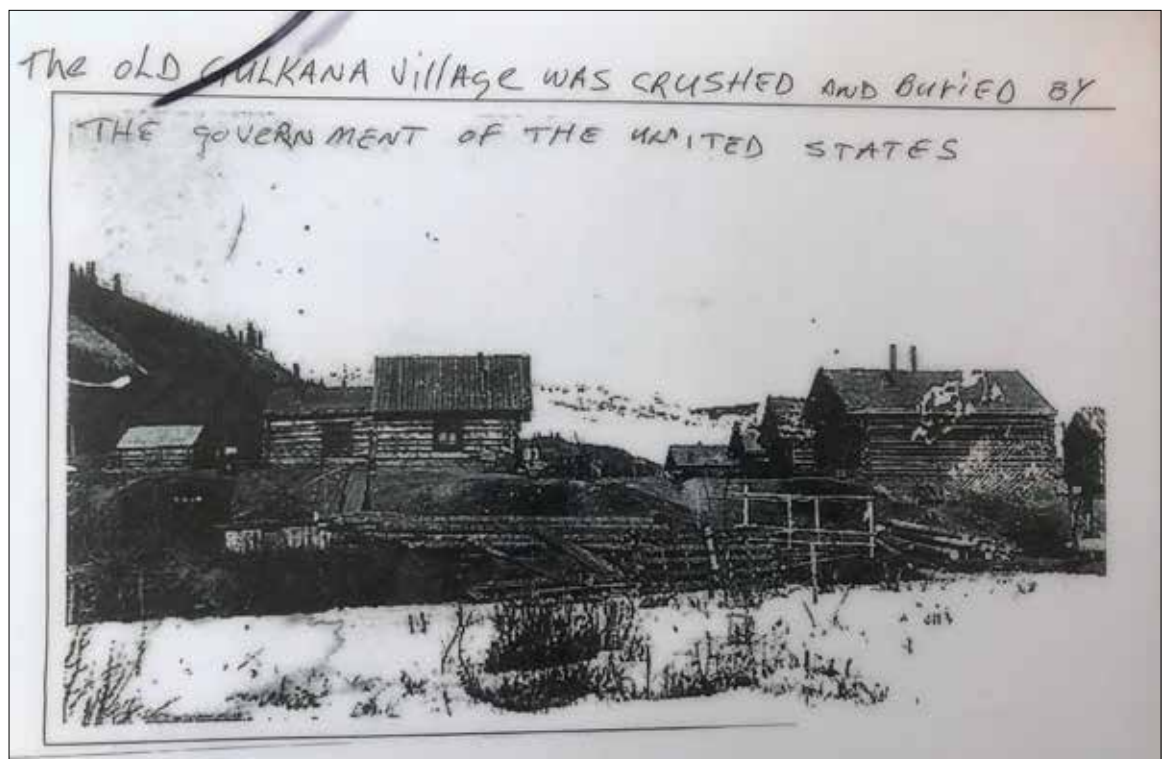
BOB NEELEY

- FEATURED COLUMNIST

This is where my father the late Harry Thomas Neeley was born in Old Chief Ewan House and the home of my two older brothers. God rest their souls in this

sacred place. We had our own house there and my late father and two older brothers are buried up on the Hill as well as my late sister is buried there too.

In 1943, my father heard a Caterpillar come right up to the door. They said, "Get out." They crushed the houses down and buried them under 15 feet of gravel. [My father] was an operator driving Caterpillars for the highway, working for the U.S. Army, at the same time. They were treated like second class citizens. They didn't announce they were going to do that.



The Old Gulkana River Village. Photo part of Bob Neeley's collection of historic images.

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