



Valdez Sunset courtesy of Harry Woods

**AK DOT: BUDGET CUTS MEAN  
REDUCED WINTER ROAD CLEARING  
Level 2 Roads such as Thompson  
Pass Could Take 36 Hours to Clear**

*Newsminer-* Just in time for the first snow accumulation of the winter, the Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities announced it will be reducing its plowing and road maintenance. The department announced its reduced winter road maintenance Thursday, saying the reduction will become most apparent to residents during winter storms when the department's efforts are most needed. [CLICK HERE](#) for more.

**EED COMMISSIONER HANLEY MEET  
& GREET THIS WEDNESDAY**

**3:45pm to 4:30pm at VHS**

The State of Alaska Commissioner of



**VALDEZ POLICE AND FIRE REPORT**

[CLICK HERE](#) to see the latest Valdez Police and Fire Report.

**Question of the Week**

[CLICK HERE](#) to Answer

Current projected estimate to complete the new harbor project is now \$82+ million.

1. Time to re-evaluate the project and expenses
2. Keep building. Let's spend as much as it takes

Last Week's Results

Which of these is your favorite one hit wonder:

- 15% - Ice Ice Baby - Vanilla Ice
- 23% - Kung Fu Fighting - Lipps Inc.
- 8% - Achey Breaky Heart - Billy Ray Cyrus
- 23% - 8-6-7-5-309 (Jenny) - Tommy TuTone

Education and Early Development will be in Valdez this Wednesday to visit students and staff regarding the many changes at the Department of Education.

The biggest change is our new student test AMP (Alaska Measure of Progress). During his visit he will emphasize that this AMP test is written with more rigor and references different standards for students. "Look to see students that are accustomed to scoring in the 90<sup>th</sup> percentile being more challenged with this test", said Valdez Superintendent James Nygaard. [CLICK HERE](#) to read State of Alaska press release on proposed achievement level scores.

#### **ALASKANS PREPARE TO VISIT POPE**

*AK Dispatch-* Alaska's congressional delegation and visitors from the state were getting ready Tuesday for an unprecedented visit from Pope Francis as he embarks on a tour of the Eastern Seaboard, including Washington, D.C., Philadelphia and New York City.

[CLICK HERE](#) for more.

#### **ALASKA PREPARES TO FORM HUMAN TRAFFICKING TASK FORCE**

*AK Dispatch-* Anchorage Mayor Ethan Berkowitz announced Wednesday morning that a joint state-city task force is being created to contend with human trafficking in Anchorage and across

31% - Come on Eileen - Dexy's Midnight Runners



**9/28-** Cricket Ridge, Brenda Metcalf, Marie Koscielski, Jasper Clark

**9/29-** Terrie Kanning, Ken Ivie

**9/30-** Tim Tebow, Carla Davis

**10/1-** Jennifer Gordley, Richard McAlister, Courtney Garner, Roger Holmes, Karen Feero, Mike Day, Ken Larson

**10/2-** Adam Shoen, Kirk Decker, Laura Killan, Peggy Perales, Wendy Gilbert

**10/3-** Christy Reed, Tina Fifarek

**10/4-** Kalen McIntosh, Angela Chapman, Ashley Trader, Mark Jennings, Keefe McIntosh, Dean Willi, Michael Gutbrod, Keriann Gilson



#### **School Breakfast & Lunch Menu's**

[CLICK HERE](#) October Breakfast Menu

[CLICK HERE](#) October Lunch Menu

[CLICK HERE](#) November Breakfast Menu

Alaska. According to a statement from Berkowitz's office, "enhanced civil and criminal law enforcement and regulatory efforts to reduce human trafficking" will be the focus of the task force, which the mayor is convening with Alaska State Department of Labor Commissioner Heidi Drygas. [READ MORE HERE](#)

### BE A PART OF THE VALDEZ HOME BREW COMPETITION



The Valdez Convention & Visitors Bureau (VCVB) is hosting the Valdez Homebrew Competition Saturday, October 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup>. Last year this event drew over 25 beer entries, 20 of which came from Juneau, Kenai Peninsula, Fairbanks and Anchorage. Prizes will be awarded for the "Best of Competition" as well as six other categories. Judging will take place at the Oktoberfest Celebration at the Civic Center Saturday, October 17<sup>th</sup>. [CLICK HERE](#) to access Brewers Registration Form or "People's Choice Tasting" form.

### EARLIEST EVIDENCE OF ANCIENT NORTH AMERICAN SALMON FISHING VERIFIED

[CLICK HERE](#) November Lunch Menu



## Mark Your Calendars

Sept 30 (Wed) –VCS Student

Early Release 2pm

Alaska School Commissioner Meet &

Greet – 4pm @ VHS Library

Interview on KVAK 1230AM & 93.3FM-

News Hour

Oct 9-10 – GMS Basketball at Home vs. Cordova

Oct 16 – End of First Quarter for Valdez Schools

Parks & Recreation Haunted House

Fri/Sat – 7pm to 10pm

Oct 16-17, 23-24, 30-31

October 30 - 31 – VHS Volleyball vs

Glennallen/Kenny Lake

Nov 6-7 – GMS Basketball Valdez Invite

UAF- Researchers in Alaska have found the earliest known evidence that Ice Age humans in North America used salmon as a food source, according to a new paper published this week in the Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences. The findings counter traditionally held beliefs that Ice Age Paleoindians were primarily big-game hunters. [CLICK HERE](#) for more.

### HOW TO WIN COPPER VALLEY ENERGY CREDITS & PRIZES

Friday, Oct 2<sup>nd</sup> at Fundraiser Event


1. Stop by the Administration Station and update your signature card and email address to be entered to win a \$50 CVEA Energy Credit
2. Visit the Allison Creek Information Station and get a FREE Allison Creek keychain (while supplies last)
3. Make a donation at the Community Foundation Station and be entered to win a \$350 CVEA Energy Credit

### COMMISSIONER HANLEY ON AIR WITH KVAK



Wed: 9am, Noon, and 6pm news hour  
Tune in as KVAK interviews  
Commissioner Hanley about education in  
Alaska

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### Copper Valley Electric Association Open House and Foundation Fundraiser

**October 2, 11am to 1:30 pm**

Hot Dogs \* Door Prizes \* Prizes \* Gifts  
Win \$50 or \$350 CVEA energy credit

### Joint Cooperative Food Drive

**October 12-16, 8am to 5 pm**

Bring non-perishable food items to CVEA or CVTelecom and be entered to win \$100 CVEA energy credit or \$100 CVTelecom Service Credit.

### Halloween Spooktacular

**October 30, 3 pm to 5 pm**

Stop by CVEA and enjoy a trick or treat parade with five candy stops, get your photo at their fun themed photo booth, and get a spooktacular FREE gift.

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**SALMONBERRY SKI HILL BRUSH  
CLEARING DAY**



Saturday, Oct. 3<sup>rd</sup> from 11am-1pm at 5.5 Mile Richardson Hwy . Parks and Rec is looking for volunteers to help clear the area of brush and debris before the first snow flies. Bring chain saws, saws, machetes, work gloves, work boots, etc. Lunch and snacks will be provided.

**MARTHA REDBONE CONCERT**

Sunday, Oct. 4<sup>th</sup>

7pm at the Civic Center

Miss Redbone's music flows equally from her own unique, award-winning blend of Native American elements with funk and her deep roots in Appalachian folk and Piedmont blues.

Tickets: \$20.00 for Adults or \$10.00 for seniors, students and military. Purchased in advance at A Rogue's Garden, The Harbor Landing General Store or at the Civic center the night of the show.

**SCHOOL BOARD MEETING TONIGHT**

*Monday, September 28<sup>th</sup>, 2015*

*in City Council Chambers*

*Monday – 6:30pm*

Items will include:

1. Approval of amendments to Board



- 20% off winter and fleece jackets as well as winter boots
- Like Prospector on Facebook [HERE](#) to enter daily drawings for great products during our anniversary sale
- Watch for items from Carhartt, Columbia, The North Face, Filson, Ugg, Dansk, Merrell, Mountain Hardwear, and many more



**VSD HIRING INSTRUCTIONAL TUTOR**

Valdez City Schools is hiring an instructional tutor. Required qualifications include: ability to understand test scores, teacher's prescription for student, and how to put materials together for students to deliver the lesson; good oral and written communication skills and ability to synthesize information gathered from parents, teachers and children for improving each child's program; skill in working with children in a classroom

Policies for Absences & Excuses,  
Classified Personnel Layoff/Rehires and  
HS Extracurricular Activities

2. Approval of AASB Resolutions per  
Kathy Todd

[CLICK HERE](#) for full agenda  
[CLICK HERE](#) to read meeting packet

*All School Board meetings are held in  
City Council Chambers, broadcast live on  
1230AM KVAK and streamed LIVE on  
[www.kvakradio.com](http://www.kvakradio.com)*

### **CITY MANAGER HIRING MOVING ALONG**

Valdez City Council will meet in a Special  
Session this Thursday, October 1st at  
6pm in Council Chambers to review City  
Manager Applications. The meeting will  
be an Executive Session and  
Council members will meet with Slavin  
Management Consultants to review  
applications.

model; ability to work well with children;  
knowledge of good teaching practices;  
willingness to perform various job-related  
duties as situations require a strong sense  
of teamwork, and ability to work  
cooperatively with others. Application can  
be downloaded from Valdez School  
District website or picked up at District  
office.

[CLICK HERE](#) to visit VSD employment  
website