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# THE SKAGWAY NEWS.

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## MOS works to ease travel around ferry suspension

*By Gretchen Wehmhoff*

In response to the delays caused by the closing of the Skagway ferry dock, the Municipality is working with the Alaska Marine Highway System, the Haines Borough and local business, Haines-Skagway Fast Ferry to supplement water travel to Haines through the end of September.

This service will be in coordination with AMHS sailings as weather permits.

Should the dock closure go beyond Sept. 30, the entities will reassess needs based on the status of the Skagway ferry terminal.

The service will operate in both directions.

Alaska Fjordlines is set to operate through mid-September and Alaska Seaplanes has daily flights to Haines and Juneau.

AHMS suspended service to Skagway after the M/V

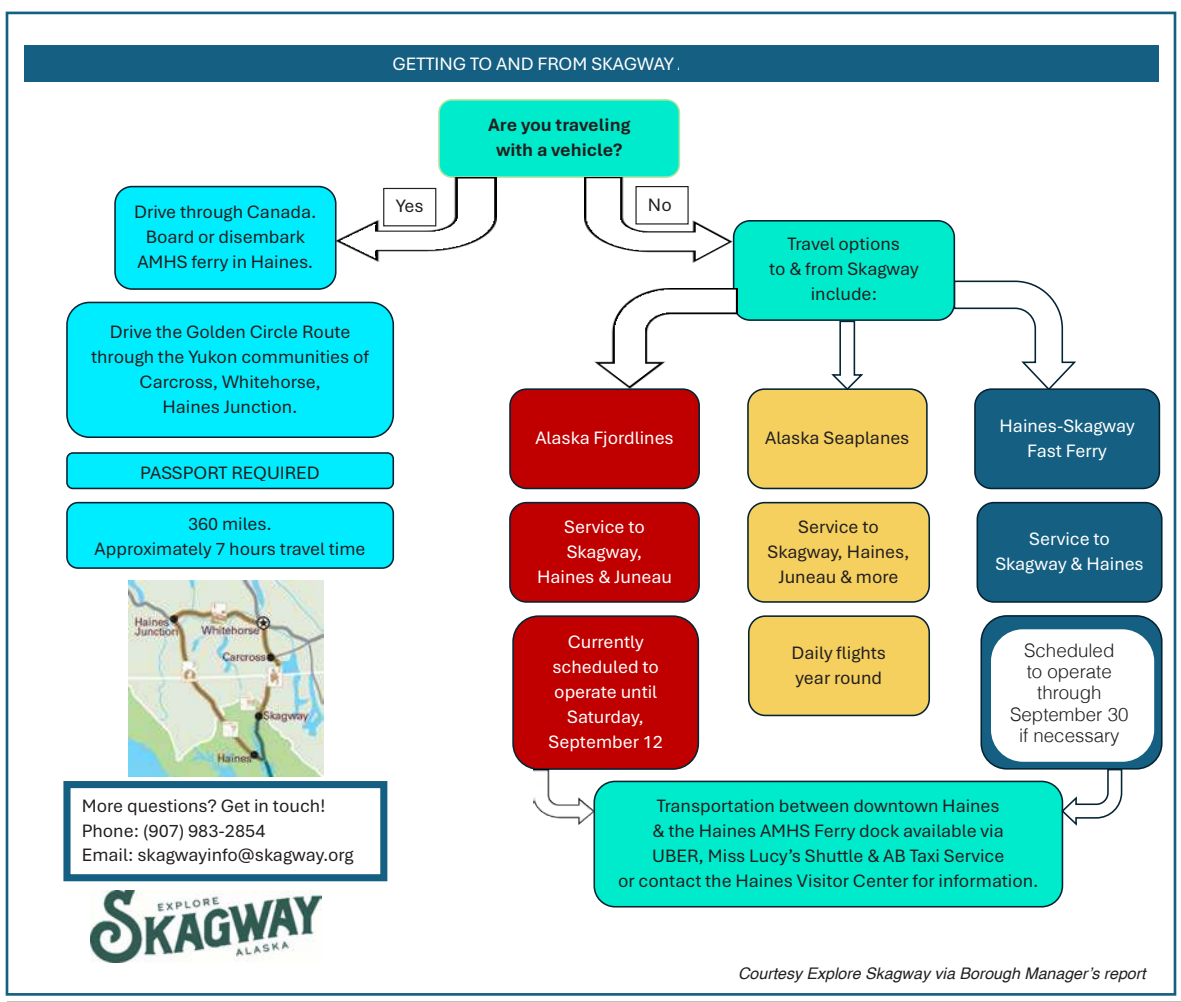
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*Photo by Nicole Kovacs*

**Skagway sends local paddlers to 2026 Yukon River Quest**

Voyageur canoe teams Skagway Stoke Boat, left (Nicole Kovacs, Jesse Guilliams, Jen Larsen, Alexandra Luque, Stephanie Hawney, Sam Best), and Skagway Swinging Sixties, right (Michael Yee, Dennis Bousson, Mike Korsmo, Tim Bouncy, Eric Nelson, Jeff Brady) stop racing to 'raft up' for a few minutes near Coffee Creek about 300 miles into the 2026 Yukon River Quest. The Stoke boat finally made it to Dawson City after three attempts and finished 23rd overall and second in the mixed VC division, while the Swingers placed 27th overall and first in the open VC division. They were the oldest team in the race with an average age of 66!




*Courtesy Explore Skagway via Borough Manager's report*



*Photo by Christian Nunez*

Christian Nunez (foreground) and Jonathan Hillis work the current in a tandem canoe dubbed "Bourcy's Behind Us" during the first night of the race. They scratched at the halfway checkpoint at Carmacks but vow to be back on a Skagway team in 2027. See complete results at yukonriverquest.com. Another photo is on page 10.

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**Tuesday, Sept 8**

- Ports and Harbors Advisory Board
  5:30 p.m. - Assembly Chambers
- Volleyball Open Gym
  4 - 6 p.m. Skagway School

**Wednesday, Sept 9**

- Story Time (0-5 yrs)
  11 a.m. - Library
- Dyea Community Advisory Board
  5:30 p.m. - Assembly Chambers.

**Thursday, Sept. 10**

- School Early Dismissal
  2:15 p.m.
- Planning and Zoning Commission
  5:30 p.m. - Assembly Chambers

**Saturday, Sept. 12**

- Skagway School
  A Fall showcase of Scenes and Mono logues
  6 - 7 p.m.

**Monday, Sept. 14**

- Solid Waste Advisory Committee
  5:30 p.m. - Assembly Chambers

**Tuesday, Sept. 15**

- Clinic Finance Committee
  6 p.m. - Assembly Chambers
- Clinic Planning Committee
  7 p.m. - Assembly Chambers

**Wednesday, Sept. 16**

- Story Time (0-5 yrs)
  11 a.m. - Library
- Finance Committee
  5 p.m.- Assembly Chambers

**Thursday, Sept. 17**

- Borough Assembly
  7 p.m.- Assembly Chambers

**Friday, Sept. 18**

- School Early Dismissal
  2:15 p.m.

**Monday, Sept. 21**

- Inservice - No School Today

**Tuesday, Sept. 22**

- Regular School Board Meeting
  7 p.m. - Skagway School

**Thursday, September 24**

- School Early Dismissal
  2:15 p.m.
- Skagway Visitor Advisory Board
  5 - 6:45 p.m. - Assembly Chambers
- Clinic Board of Directors
  7 p.m. - Assembly Chambers
- Historic Commission
  5:30 p.m. - Assembly Chambers

# For the sake of The Skagway News

*By Gretchen Wehmhoff*

The Skagway News is back, at least temporarily, with former owner, Gretchen Wehmhoff.

Wehmhoff had given the paper to Tommy and Pattie Wells in May 2025. Just over a year later, the Wells, struggling with family health issues, handed the paper back to Wehmhoff per a clause in their transfer contract giving Wehmhoff the ability to take the paper back should there be problems.

Okay, that's the formal announcement. I'm back, but my hope is that it is temporary. The Skagway News is a dear and legendary part of Skagway. When I saw the troubles the Wells were having keeping the SN going, and fearing that the paper might not make it, I offered to help them out.

Because of the timing and complications of new websites, advertising uncertainty and subscription errors, just picking it up and running wasn't going to happen. A casualty of the situation was missing the 2026 Skaguay Alaskan. However, here is the first issue from the close call with the ashes. I promise at least three or four more.

Skagway has a forever spot in my heart. I love the town, the friends I made and the multitude of stories waiting to be written. I have already moved on to other projects and will be a writer in residence this October at Storyknife, Dana Stabenow's women's writing retreat project in Homer. I'm working on gathering information for a historical book on Girl Scouting in Alaska and have been writing for Alaska magazines. Because I love Skagway, I took a break in my stride to help get the paper going. However, I'm not giving up the month in Homer.

The job of any local paper is to give local stories and people a place to shine. Just as important is the job of a newspaper to record and archive history. When people start to research Skagway, one of the first places they will go is the local newspaper.

The State of Alaska Library System has been integral in archiving Alaska papers, including the papers from Skagway's Gold Rush days. They are currently working to digitize all papers and now accept PDFs and printed paper for archiving. Alaska publications send them copies. That is normal for Alaska papers. Papers in Ketchikan, Sitka, Petersberg, Wrangell, Juneau, Haines and Skagway all provide PDF papers to their audience. The same with The Anchorage Daily News, Cordova Times, Nome Nugget, Daily News Miner and more. Without the PDF or hard copy of a newspaper, it will miss being archived for historical research.

The Skagway News needs to become a community paper and the best bet is to create a non-profit 501(c)3 organization. This would allow the paper to apply for grants, donations to be tax deductible and the non-profit will be able to hire an editor and small staff to keep the paper whole. Currently, Kate Butler is looking into this.

In the near future, I had hoped to work with an apprentice, as well as volunteers to help the paper become a community paper.

I'm not sure what will happen next. I want to pass it on, but I want to pass it on to survive. I have learned I may not have control of that.

## Ferry suspension create challenges

*(Continued fron Front page )*

Hubbard finished its Aug.15 call, citing cracks in the concrete abutment supporting the terminal's vehicle bridge and passenger walkway earlier that week.

DOT&PF planned to mobilize commercial divers to the area, disconnect electrical service, remove the transfer bridge and walkway via crane and have engineers and leadership respond to the damage.

DOT&PF says engineers continue to assess the cause and full extent of the damage. They are also examining the terminal's structural condition, anchor system, and the forces acting on the facility.

DOT&PF says it would be premature to attribute the damage to a specific cause until those inspections are complete. AMHS personnel are assisting affected passengers with their reservations and available options. Information about affected sailings is available at FerryAlaska.com. A reopening date has not been established, and the terminal will remain closed to ferry operations until DOT&PF determines that service can safely resume.

MOS is directing those seeking information to check the AMHS Facebook page or the AMHS website for service notice updates.

The Skagway Visitors Department created a flow-chart, shown on page one, to help travelers manage their travel to and from Skagway.

# Smart Bus to run test route through October 15

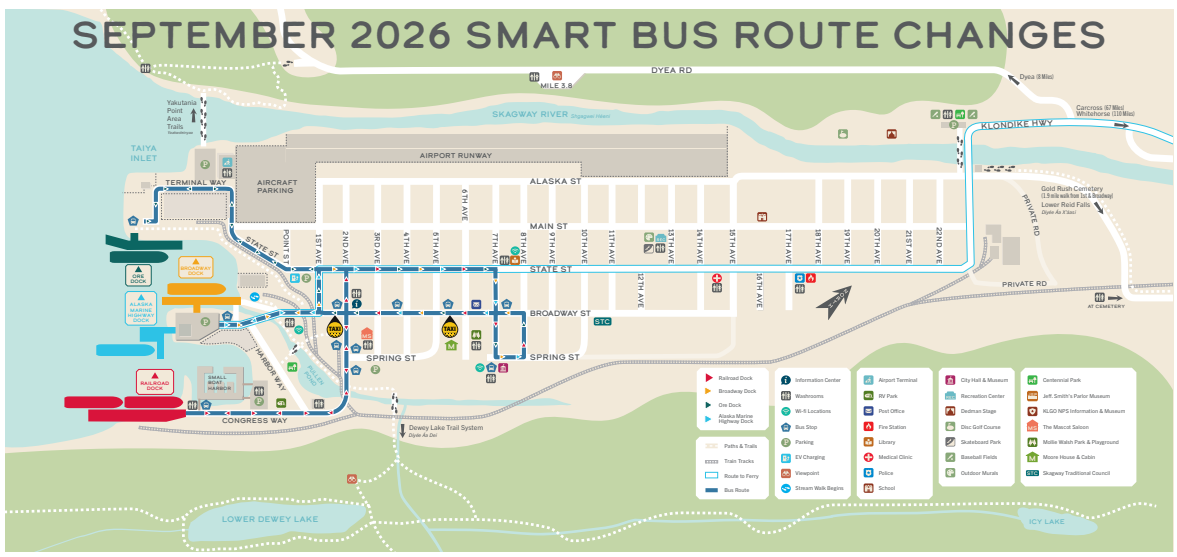
The Municipality and Skagway Visitor Department announced a test route for SMART bus service.

"From Sept.1 to Oct.15, SMART Buses will operate on a new test route designed to improve traffic flow and reduce pedestrian and vehicle conflicts along Broadway," Borough Clerk Steve Burnham said in the announcement.

According to the changes, SMART buses from each dock will travel north on State Street, turn right on 7th Avenue, and make their first stop at City Hall and the Skagway Museum. After that, buses will continue to 8th Avenue, turn left, and proceed to the stop at 7th Avenue and Broadway. From there, buses will travel southbound on Broadway, with all new SMART Bus stops located on the west side of Broadway, as shown on the map.

Cemetery Shuttle pickup locations are on the east side of Broadway at 2nd and 5th Avenues, as shown by the "taxi" icons on the map.

Questions, concerns, or community feedback regarding the test route may be directed to the Skagway Visitor Department.




*Map designed and shared by the Skagway Visitors Department.*




## Skagway Welcomes Klondike Road Relay

### Friday, September 11.

The first runners take off from Second & Broadway at 7 pm with additional race starts every 15 minutes until 11:30 pm. Come on down to the race start to cheer on the teams and enjoy tunes by D.J. Mike Swasey.

### Other highlights of the evening include:

6-8 pm - Warming station in the AB Hall featuring hot beverages.
6 - 9 pm Songs, Soups & Sips in the Red Onion Courtyard
6 - 10 pm - WP&YR Coffee Bar open
6 - 10 pm - The NPS Visitor Center & the Mascot open to the public

Special Klondike Road Relay Photo Contest
$100 prize for best team costume photo taken in Skagway
$100 prize for best Skagway Spirit photo

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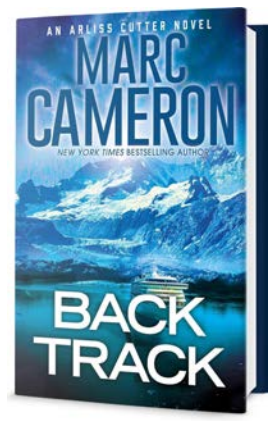
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|---|---|---|---|
| 511 | 7:30 a.m. | 8:35 a.m. | Daily via HNS |
| 503 | 11:00 a.m. | 11:45 a.m. | Daily |
| 505 | 12:45 p.m. | 1:25 p.m. | Daily |
| 507 | 3:00 p.m. | 3:40 p.m. | Daily |

SKAGWAY TO JUNEAU

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 502 | 8:45 a.m. | 9:30 a.m. | Daily |
| 504 | 12:00 p.m. | 12:45 p.m. | Daily |
| 506 | 1:40 p.m. | 2:40 p.m. | Daily via HNS |
| 507 | 3:55 p.m. | 4:55 p.m. | Daily via HNS |

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# Margaret Frans Brady Fund, MOS and STC partner to install bilingual street signs

*By Gretchen Wehmhoff*

A pilot project to replace street signs on some Skagway streets with signs that depict both English and Lingít, begins this fall on the northern end of Broadway Street.

The project, funded by the Margaret Frans Brady Fund (MFB), STC Tribal Transportation Program funds, and Municipality of Skagway funds, involves installing new signage on Broadway between 8th and 15th Avenues as well as the intersections with 15th at Main Street and Alaska Street.

Dr. X'unei Lance Twitchell helped the partners translate the street signs into Lingít.

"This project would not have been possible without his [Twitchell] linguistic knowledge. The Indigenous representation on public street signs ensures Indigenous voices are seen, heard, and valued as an integral part of Shgagwéi's present and future," said STC Administrator, Hara Kinjo-Hischer.

The project hopes that adding Indigenous language to street signs will honor the land's original stewards, and keep the local indigenous language visible and alive. The idea is to help residents and visitors discover Skagway's history beyond the gold rush.

On a trip to Ireland, MFB advisor and former Skagway News publisher, Jeff Brady was inspired.

"I noticed that most of the street signs included Gaelic, and I thought this could be done with Lingít on Skagway street signs," said Brady. "I approached Skagway Traditional Council, who was enthusiastic about the idea, and together we began working with the Municipality. The MFB Fund pledged $50,000 toward the project, and we are happy to see it finally happening. Soon Skagway School children and others will be counting in Lingít on their walks to school."

"This pilot street sign project highlights the deep Lingít history of our community," said Borough Mayor Orion Hanson.

The signs will be larger than the current signs. As such, the pilot program will test for wind load and other factors before expanding the project to eventually include all street signs.

2026
Candidate Forum
September 21
6:30 p.m.
Skagway City Hall
Assembly Candidates
School Board Candidates
*Write-in candidates must file by 5 p.m. Oct. 2*
There will not be live questioning at the event, but the forum will include as many advance questions from the public as possible.
Hosted by and broadcast live on KHNS

# SFD responds to building fire within historic buildings

*By Gretchen Wehmhoff*

The Skagway Fire Department (SFD) responded to a structure fire on 4th and Broadway, July 27. The fire, found on the back wall of the Skagway Hardware Store within the framing of the structure, was adjacent to the neighboring business, The Skagway Brewing Company.








Photos provided by the Skagway Fire Department

Due to the location of the flames, the building's fire alarms had not yet been activated. Fire officials evacuated both businesses until the fire could be located and controlled.

The SFD crew cut multiple openings along the floor and wall to access the fire.

Searches in both buildings found that no signs of fire extension were found in the Brew. Co. building.

The fire was controlled within 30 minutes of the arrival of SFD. Both buildings were ventilated.

SFD Chief Emily Rauscher said the fire appeared to be accidental in nature and believed to have started from an improperly disposed of cigarette.

## Police & Fire Blotter

**Blotter #11 June 5 – June 25**

Submitted by Skagway Police Department

**June 5**

- Police personnel assisted with a welfare check of a local resident.
- Dispatch received a report of an employee stealing from a business.
- Dispatch received a report of a vehicle driving recklessly.
- Lost and found reports were taken for a found cruise ship pass, a found beer koozie being used as a wallet, and other found cards.
- Police personnel responded to a dog on the loose. The dog was reunited with his owner.
- Dispatch received a report of scammers sending out emails from local businesses. A public service announcement was sent out to alert the public.
- EMS personnel assisted with a scheduled medevac.
- Police personnel responded to a complaint about a local business blocking the boardwalk with large signs.
- Police personnel responded to a complaint about a local business accosting people on Broadway with off-premise canvasing.
- EMS personnel responded to a medical emergency.

**June 6**

- EMS personnel responded to two medical emergencies.
- Police personnel responded to investigate a tourist's report that an employee in a local store took photos of their credit card and driver's license.
- Fire department personnel responded to smoke coming from the crawlspace at a residential building.
- Dispatch assisted with contacting the on-duty provider.
- Police personnel responded to a report of an individual passed out in a parked vehicle. It was found that the person was just looking down at their phone.

**June 7**

- EMS personnel assisted with a scheduled medevac.
- A lost and found report was taken for a found bicycle.
- EMS personnel responded to a medical emergency.
- Dispatch assisted with contacting the on-duty provider.
- Police personnel assisted in investigating a death on-board a cruise ship.
- Police personnel assisted with a report of fraudulent credit card usage by a local store.

**June 8**

- Dispatch received another report of scam emails appearing to be from local businesses.
- Fire department personnel responded to a fire alarm downtown.
- EMS personnel responded to three medical emergencies.
- EMS personnel assisted with two scheduled medevacs.
- Dispatch assisted with contacting the on-duty provider.
- Police personnel assisted the FBI with a child sexual assault allegation that occurred on board the ship.
- Fire Department personnel assisted with the extraction of an injured cruise ship passenger off a local trail.

**June 9**

- A lost and found report was taken for a lost Jeep key fob.
- EMS personnel responded to a medical emergency.
- Police personnel assisted a local store in apprehending crew members seen stealing the prior week.

**June 10**

- EMS personnel assisted with a scheduled medevac.
- Police and rescue personnel assisted a citizen with an injured dog at Sturgill's Landing.

**June 11**

- Police personnel assisted with a paper service.
- EMS personnel assisted with a scheduled medevac
- EMS personnel responded to a medical emergency.
- A lost and found report was taken for a lost iPhone with a rainbow case.
- Dispatch assisted with contacting the on-duty provider.

**June 12**

- Dispatch assisted Fish and Game with sealing a black bear.
- Police personnel responded to a report of a stolen purse. The purse was found by police and returned.
- A lost and found report was taken for a lost wallet. It was later reunited.
- Dispatch assisted with contacting the on-duty provider twice.

**June 13**

- Dispatch received a report of a shirtless man attempting to gain entry to a resident's home in the middle of the night.
- Police personnel assisted with two vehicle lockouts.
- Lost and found reports were taken for a lost brown wallet, a lost black iPhone and a found green Samsung phone.

*(see page 6-**More**)*

*The following is a Public Service Announcement sponsored by The Skagway News. No monies or compensation was given for this announcement below. The Skagway News believes this information is important to the Skagway community. Info from Skagway.org.*

## Election Information

**MUNICIPALITY OF SKAGWAY**
**REGULAR MUNICIPAL ELECTION**
**TUESDAY, OCT. 6, 2026**

CANDIDATE FILING CLOSED AUG. 17, 2026

**THE FOLLOWING OFFICES WILL BE ON THE BALLOT:**
Two (2) Borough Assembly Member seats – for three (3) year terms each, to expire October 2029;
Two (2) School Board Member seats – for three (3) year terms each, to expire October 2029.

*SAMPLE BALLOT:* October 6, 2026 Regular Municipal Election Sample Ballot

*Any person wishing to file as a write-in candidate must submit a Letter of Intent to the Borough Clerk no later than 5 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 2, 2026.*

**THE FOLLOWING PROPOSITIONS WILL BE ON THE BALLOT:**

### PROPOSITION 1
$6,500,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS
Water and Sewer Infrastructure and Other Capital Improvements on Blocks 95 and 102

Shall the Municipality of Skagway Borough incur debt and issue general obligation bonds in a principal amount not to exceed $6,500,000 maturing within a maximum of 30 years, to pay costs of water and sewer infrastructure and other capital improvements on Blocks 95 and 102 (otherwise known as Garden City RV Park), as further described in Ordinance No. 2026-06, and shall Ordinance No. 2026-06 of the Borough authorizing the issuance of bonds for this purpose be approved?

*BONDS FOR* ☒ *BONDS AGAINST* ☒

### PROPOSITION 2
Amend 4.08.060 section 3 to read

All store sales originating within the municipal boundary of the municipality of Skagway to borough residents who are sixty-five (65) years of age, or older, and where such purchases are solely for the use of the resident and spouse, shall be tax exempt.

Amend 4.10.030 section A to read

The real property owned and occupied as the primary residence and permanent place of abode by a resident who is (i) sixty-five (65) years of age or older; (ii) a disabled veteran; (iii) at least sixty (60) years of age and the widow or widower of a person who qualified for an exemption under subsection (A) or (ii) of this section.

*FOR* ☒ *AGAINST* ☒

**POLLING PLACE AND ELECTION HOURS**
The polling place will be the Borough Assembly Chambers in the Borough Administrative Offices, 700 Spring Street.

Polls will be open 7 a.m. tp 8 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 6, 2026.

**DEADLINE TO REGISTER TO VOTE**
The deadline to register to vote or update voter-registration information for the Oct. 6, 2026, Regular Municipal Election is Sunday, Sept. 6, 2026.

Municipal election officials rely upon State of Alaska voter-registration records. Voters may register or update their registration through the Alaska Division of Elections.

**VOTER QUALIFICATIONS**
A person may vote in a municipal election only if the person:
is qualified to vote in state elections under AS 15.05.010;
has been a resident of the municipality for thirty (30) days immediately preceding the election; and
has registered before the election as required under AS 15.07 and is not registered to vote in another jurisdiction.

**EARLY / ABSENTEE VOTING**
Any qualified voter may vote absentee for any reason.
• In-person absentee voting will be available at the Borough Clerk's Office Monday, Sept. 21, through Monday, Oct. 5, 2026, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday
• To allow sufficient time for ordinary mail delivery, absentee ballots by mail should be requested by Friday, Sept. 25, 2026. Requests received after that date will be processed, but timely delivery and return cannot be assured.
• A completed absentee ballot must either be personally delivered to the Borough Clerk or election board no later than 8 p.m. on Election Day or mailed to the Borough Clerk with a postmark dated on or before Election Day.

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# More of the Summer 2026 Blotter

- Police personnel responded to a report of a bag containing fundraising money that was possibly stolen from a vehicle. The bag and money were later located.

**June 14**

- Police personnel responded to a late-night noise complaint.
- Dispatch assisted with contacting the on-duty provider.
- Lost and found reports were taken for a found purple-blue Samsung phone, a lost orange and blue REI wallet, a lost wallet that was immediately found and a lost Rolex that was later reunited with its panicked owner.
- EMS personnel assisted with a scheduled medevac.
- Police personnel assisted with a residential lockout.
- Police personnel responded to speak to an intoxicated individual from another country who was requesting to be deported.

**June 15**

- Lost and found reports were taken for a lost passport, a lost wallet that was later returned, a found blue bag, and a found small, zipper wallet.
- Dispatch received a report of harassment.
- Police personnel assisted ship security with a checkpoint breach.
- Fire department personnel responded to a downtown fire alarm.
- Dispatch assisted with contacting the on-duty provider.

**June 16**

- Police personnel responded to a noise complaint downtown.
- Lost and found reports were taken for a found passport, a found Oppo phone, and found shopping bags that were later reunited with their owner.
- Police personnel responded to a report a hiker and dogs almost being hit by a falling tree due to an excavator dropping trees on the trails near Pioneer Cemetery without safety barriers or signs.
- EMS personnel assisted with two scheduled medevacs.
- Police personnel assisted with guiding an oversize load from the barge through town.
- Police personnel responded to a report of a couple acting strangely.

**June 17**

- Police personnel assisted the Park Ranger with trespassing an individual from the Dyea Campground.
- Dispatch received a report of a theft from a local business.
- Police personnel assisted port security with crowd control on the dock.
- A lost and found report was updated for a retrieved passport.
- Dispatch assisted with contacting the on-duty provider.

**June 18**

- Police personnel responded to a report of a suspected fake ID being used at a downtown business.
- Police personnel assisted with moving a large rock that had fallen onto the Dyea Road.
- Public works personnel assisted with retrieving a phone that had fallen between the slats on the boardwalk.
- A noise permit was granted for construction from June 22nd at 11pm to June 28th at 7am.
- Search and rescue personnel responded to a boat that had lost power in the harbor. They were towed back without incident.
- EMS personnel responded to a medical emergency.
- Police personnel responded to a report of a suspicious motorbike at Seven Pastures.

**June 19**

- Police personnel assisted ship security with a complaint of "something in the bottled water". The drug screening was negative and the bottle contained coconut water.
- EMS personnel responded to a medical emergency.
- Lost and found reports were taken for a lost wallet and a found set of car keys.

**June 20**

- Police personnel assisted ship security with a harassment complaint.
- Police personnel assisted a motorist with changing a tire.
- Dispatch received a report of a dump truck that had lost some debris onto the Skagway River Bridge. The construction company responsible cleared the roadway.
- Dispatch assisted with contacting the on-duty provider twice.
- Fire department personnel responded to a report of a leaking propane tank.
- Police personnel assisted with locating a dog on the loose.
- A lost and found report was taken for a lost iPhone 17.
- Search and rescue personnel responded to a hiker who had gone off trail and was lost at Upper Reid Falls.
- Police personnel responded to a report of individuals attempting to use false identification at the Summer Solstice event.

**June 21**

- Police personnel responded to investigate a report of a child being groped onboard a ship.
- EMS personnel assisted with three scheduled medevacs.
- Dispatch received a report of a missing husky dog.
- Dispatch assisted with contacting the on-duty provider four times.
- Lost and found reports were taken for a lost driver's license and a lost passport.
- Police personnel responded to a report of RV's attempting to camp on a public street.

**June 22**

- Police personnel assisted with a possible stolen vehicle. The vehicle was mistakenly taken because of a rental car mishap.
- Lost and found reports were taken for a lost iPhone 17, a lost Apple watch, a found ship ID card and a found iPhone that was later reunited with its owner.
- EMS personnel assisted with two scheduled medevacs.
- Dispatch assisted with contacting the on-duty provider.
- Police personnel assisted with a vehicle lockout.

**June 23**

- EMS personnel responded to two medical emergencies.
- A report was received that a local business overcharged a visitor and refused to refund them.
- Lost and found reports were taken for a lost bag containing a passport, a lost iPhone 17 Pro, a lost brown leather wallet, and keys that were found and reunited with their owner.

**June 24**

- EMS personnel assisted with a scheduled medevac.
- A lost and found report was taken for a found blue iPhone.
- Police personnel responded to a burglary alarm downtown.
- Police personnel assisted with a vehicle lockout.

**June 25**

- A caller reported someone had stolen $600 dollars from them.
- A caller reported they went for a hike and now were lost. Dispatch was able to ascertain they were at Upper Lake and on still on the main trail and advised them to turn and face the valley and then stay on the same trail and walk back down.
- Lost and found reports were taken for a lost ID card and a found child's wallet.
- Police personnel responded to a report of a missing child. The child was found safe at the dock.
- Police personnel assisted ship security with a report of a domestic disturbance onboard one of the ships.
- Dispatch assisted with contacting the on-duty provider.
- Police personnel witnessed an inebriated individual walk into a tree. Kind locals were able to guide him to his residence without further incident.

## Blotter #12 - June 26th – July 16th

- EMS personnel responded to a medical emergency.
- Dispatch received a report of a very large boulder that had tumbled into the road.
- Lost and found reports were taken for a lost black Samsung phone, a found Samsung phone with a blue case, and a credit card that was reunited with its owner.
- Police personnel responded to a harassment complaint.

**June 27**

- EMS personnel assisted with a scheduled medevac.
- EMS personnel responded to a medical emergency.

**June 28**

- Police personnel assisted with investigating a revenge porn incident on a ship.
- Police personnel assisted a stranded visitor in leaving town.
- Lost and found reports were taken for lost ship credentials and a found souvenir gift bag.
- Dispatch assisted with contacting the on-duty provider.
- EMS personnel assisted with a scheduled medevac.
- EMS personnel responded to a medical emergency.

**June 29**

- Lost and found reports were taken for a lost credit card, a found camera lens, and a credit card that was reunited with its owner.
- EMS personnel responded to two medical emergencies.
- EMS personnel assisted with a scheduled medevac.
- Dispatch received a report of suspicious spam text messages claiming to be the DMV.

**June 30**

- Dispatch received a report of a vehicle driving recklessly and almost crashing into other vehicles on the Dyea Road. An officer responded but was unable to locate the vehicle.
- Lost and found reports were logged for a found credit card, an appliance that had fallen out of a vehicle, and a wallet was reunited with its owner.
- The K9 unit was deployed for a suspicious vehicle.
- EMS personnel responded to a medical emergency and a rescue call.

**July 1**

- EMS personnel responded to four medical emergencies.
- Police personnel assisted with a paper service.
- Lost and found reports were taken for a lost phone, an iPhone that was reunited with its owner and a pair of shoes that were also reunited.
- A visitor reported she could not find her elderly mother. Police personnel responded and helped locate the individual.
- Police and EMS personnel responded to a pedestrian hit by a car on Third Avenue.

*(see page 7-**Blotter***

# Community Calendars and Events

## *Skagway Recreation Center*

### September

| Sundays | Mondays | Tuesdays | Wednesdays | Thursdays | Fridays | Saturdays |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 10:00AM - 7:00PM | 5:00AM - 9:00PM | 5:00AM - 9:00PM | 5:00AM - 9:00PM | 5:00AM - 9:00PM | 5:00AM - 7:00PM | 10:00AM - 7:00PM |
| Shared Gym 10:00AM-12:00PM | Shared Gym 5:00AM-10:30AM | Shared Gym 5:00AM-12:00PM | Shared Gym 5:00AM-10:30AM | Shared Gym 5:00AM-1:00PM | Shared Gym 5:00AM-10:30AM | Shared Gym 10:00AM-12:00PM |
| Baby Bonding 10:00AM –12:00PM | Gentle Yoga 10:30AM - 11:45AM | Vinyasa Yoga 8:30AM - 9:45AM | Back & Hip Yoga 10:30AM - 11:45AM | Chair-based Fitness 10:30AM - 11:30AM | Toddler Time 10:30AM - 12:00PM | Senior Social 11:30AM - 1PM |
| Basketball 12:00PM-3:00PM | Toddler Time 10:30AM - 12:00PM | Chair-based Fitness 10:30AM - 11:30AM | Toddler Time 10:30AM - 12:00PM | Basketball 1:00PM-3:00PM | Anyone Can Lift 12:00PM- 12:45PM | Basketball 12:00PM-3:00PM |
| Shared Gym 3:00PM-5:00PM | Basketball 12:00PM-3:00PM | Senior Social 11:30AM - 1PM | Anyone Can Lift 12:00PM- 12:45PM | After School Program 3:15PM-5:00PM | Basketball 12:00PM-3:00PM | Pickleball 3:45PM - 6:00PM |
| Gentle Yoga 4:00PM - 5:15PM | After School Program 3:15PM-5:00PM | Basketball 12:00PM-3:00PM | Basketball 12:00PM-3:00PM | Climbing Club 5:30PM-7:00PM | After School Program 3:15PM-5:00PM | Shared Gym 6:00PM-7:00PM |
| Volleyball 5:15PM-6:45PM | Pickleball 5:30PM - 8:00PM | After School Program 3:15PM-5:00PM | After School Program 3:15PM-5:00PM | Basketball 5:30PM - 8:00PM | Spinning w/ Kendra 4:15PM - 5:00PM | |
| | Shared Gym 8:00PM-9:00PM | Basketball 5:30PM - 8:00PM | Spinning w/ Kendra 4:15PM - 5:00PM | Restorative Yoga 6:15PM-7:30pm | Volleyball 5:15PM-6:45PM | |
| Color Key: Shared Gym | | Gentle Yoga 6:15PM-7:30PM | Pickleball 5:30PM - 8:00PM | Shared Gym 8:00PM-9:00PM | | |
| Fitness Classes | | Shared Gym 8:00PM-9:00PM | Shared Gym 8:00PM-9:00PM | | | |
| Group Activities | Community Swap and Shop<br>Saturday 9/19 & Sunday 9/20, 12-4pm<br>Call 907-983-2679<br>or come by to sign up<br>for a table or two. | | | | | |
| Youth Programs | | | | | | |

**Highbush Cranberry Jelly**

5 Cups highbush cranberries
3 Cups water
2 Oz/57g pectin crystals
4 Cups sugar
3 Tbsp fresh lemon juice

Boil berries in water in lg. pot for 10 min, crush gently as they soften. Cool & strain through cheesecloth. Take 4 1/2 c. of the juice, pour into lg. pot, add pectin. Boil, stirring constantly. Slowly add sugar & lemon juice. Stir until sugar is totally dissolved. Boil hard for one minute without stirring. Skim off foam.
Pour liquid into hot sterilized jars, leave 1/4" free from the top.
Seal & process in hot bath for 5 min. Cool.

### Special Events

**9/7** Closed - Labor Day

**9/9** Senior Westerdam Tour & Lunch

**9/19** Senior Tempsco Ride and Picnic

**9/19 & 9/20** Community Swap and Shop 12 - 4 p.m.

9/24 Yin Yoga 6:15 p.m.

9/25 Senior Brew Co. Tour

**Tuesday, Sept 8**

- Ports and Harbors

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**July 2**

- Lost and found reports were taken for a lost black purse containing a passport, a found driver's license, and a found credit card.
- Fire department personnel responded to a report of black smoke smelling of burning plastic emanating from a chimney.

**July 3**

- EMS personnel assisted with a scheduled medevac.
- Dispatch assisted with contacting the on-duty provider.
- A report was received about an alleged assault on board a cruise ship.
- Police personnel responded to a report of an individual selling items at Pullen Creek without a business license.
- Police personnel assisted with a loose flagpole on a business that appeared to be a potential hazard.
- A report was taken for a found blue Android phone.
- Police personnel assisted ship security with confiscating marijuana on board the ship.

**July 4**

- An out-of-town visitor reported their dog became frightened by fireworks and ran away. The dog was later found.
- Police personnel responded to a report of teenagers appearing to trespass inside tour buses.
- A report was received that a raft tour had flipped in the Taiya River and guests were trapped on a log in the center. Fire department personnel responded to assist with rescue and EMS needs.
- Lost and found reports were taken for a found iPhone, a found wallet that was later reunited with its owner, and a found passport that was also reunited with its owner.
- Police personnel assisted with an RV that had lost brakes on the Klondike Highway.
- Dispatch assisted with contacting the on-duty provider.
- Police personnel responded to a report of an intoxicated individual harassing others in their residence.

**July 5**

- Dispatch assisted with contacting the on-duty provider twice.
- Police personnel assisted with a vehicle lockout.
- EMS personnel assisted with a scheduled medevac.
- A noise complaint was received about a large party.

**July 6**

- Dispatch assisted with contacting the on-duty provider.

**July 7**

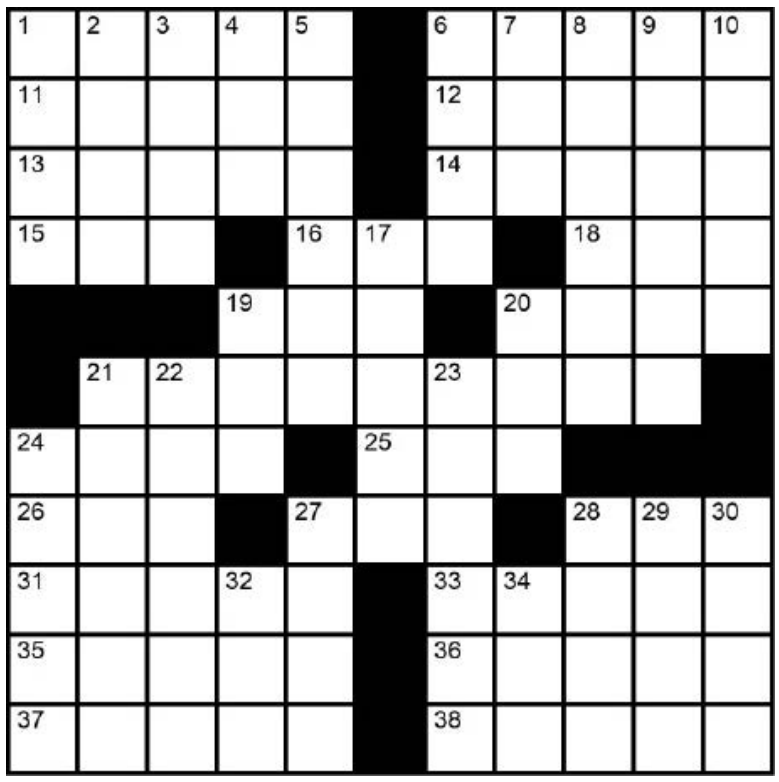
- Police personnel assisted the Alaska Courts with paper service.
- A report was received about payment not being returned for services unrendered. It was discovered these services were in Texas, so the individual was advised of paths forward.
- Police personnel assisted with escorting an intoxicated crew member off the AML property after he refused to leave.
- Police personnel assisted with a vehicle lockout.
- Dispatch assisted with contacting the on-duty provider.
- EMS personnel responded to a medical emergency.

**July 8**

- Fire Department personnel responded to a downtown fire alarm. It was found to be false.
- Dispatch received a report about a domestic violence incident onboard a cruise ship. Police personnel responded to investigate.
- Police personnel responded to an accident where an unmanned vehicle rolled backwards and struck the door of a downtown business.
- Dispatch received an iPhone satellite SOS emergency message reporting a multiple victim violent crime was taking place at the Laughton Glacier trailhead. Police personnel requested assistance from Temsco and did an overhead search of the area and trail before a ground search. They also stopped the train that had passed the trailhead when the message was sent. Nothing was found to be amiss. Upon further investigation, it appears it was a swatting incident and was traced to an individual on a cruise ship. It was referred to the Alaska State Troopers to continue the investigation in the next port.
- A complaint was received about pedestrians filling the street on Third Avenue.
- A caller reported their truck appeared to have been stolen from the Small Boat Harbor parking lot. It was

*(see page 8-**Blotter**)*

# Family Fun Page - print and share



**Across**
1 Obama's youngest
6 One Note ---
11 Florida Keys, e.g.
12 Check for fit
13 Detroit gridders
14 Oak-to-be
15 Testing place
16 Kind of port
18 Kissing in public, perhaps, briefly
19 Hesitator's syllable
20 Claim against property
21 San Francisco sight
24 Duration
25 Wee boy
26 "It's pretty, but is it --- ?" (Kipling)
27 Government agency controlling one-eighth of the country
28 Army detectives
31 Supple
33 Incongruity
35 Muzzle
36 "Bronco Billy" co-star Sondra ---
37 They might be smashed as Tom gets drunk
38 Persuades

**Down**
1 Ledge
2 Home to billions
3 Grubby guy
4 Cackleberry maker
5 Suppose Sue mixes it with Sam
6 Brief attempt
7 Curve
8 Shortsightedness
9 Place for a patrol
10 UN head before Kimoon
17 Nose
19 "Ode on a Grecian ---" (Keats)
20 Type of TV screen
21 Burst of speed
22 Military display
23 Some Sri Lankans
24 Chip dip
27 Takes a chance
28 Narcotic shrub
29 Deep black
30 Treats with tinctures
32 Sing wordlessly
34 Rank

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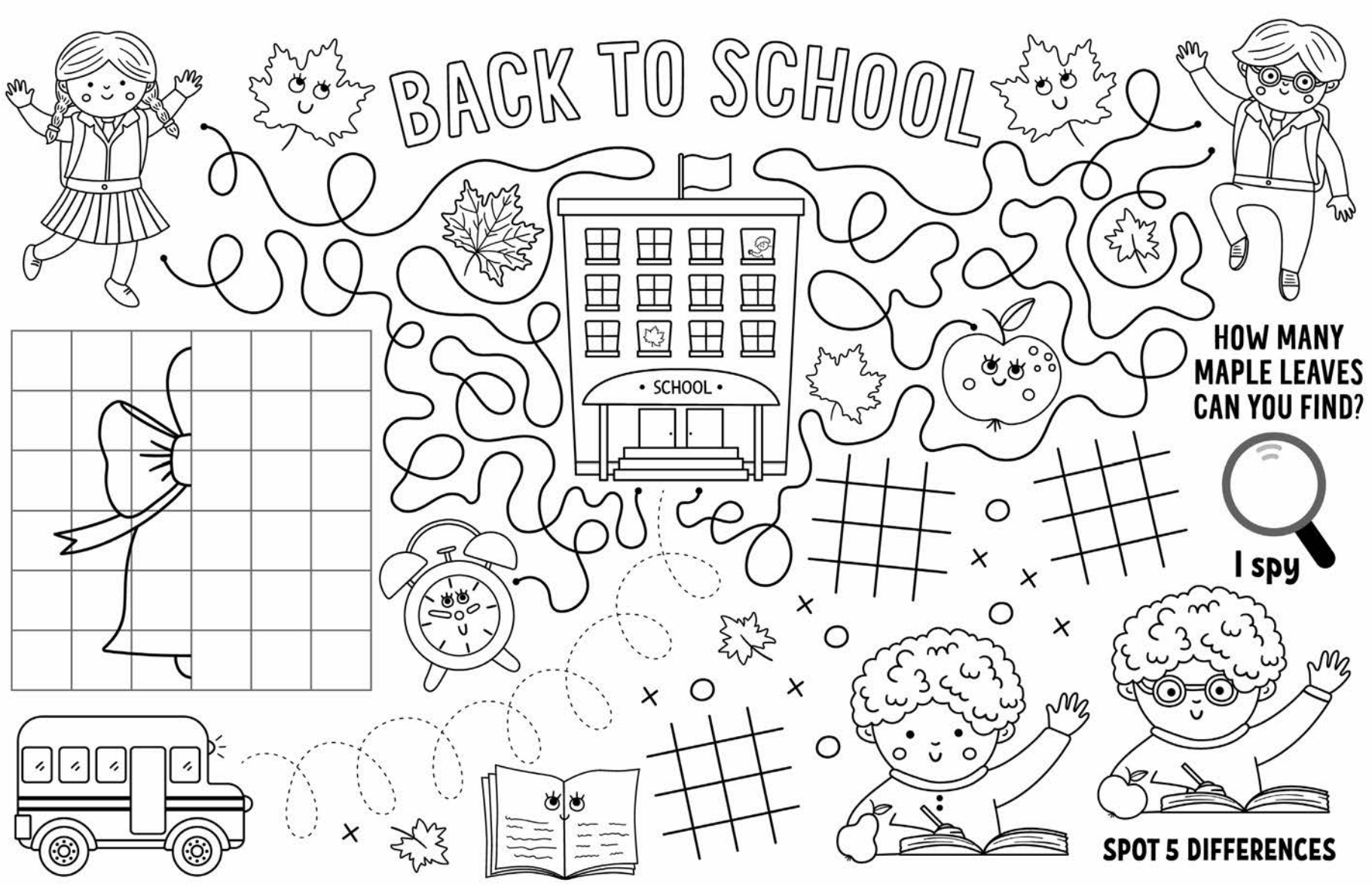
## Color Me






Do you know the history of Labor Day in the USA?

See if you can find out! Research on the web, in books and ask people you know.



# CLASSIFIEDS

News Classified Ads cost 40 cents per word, $4 minimum.

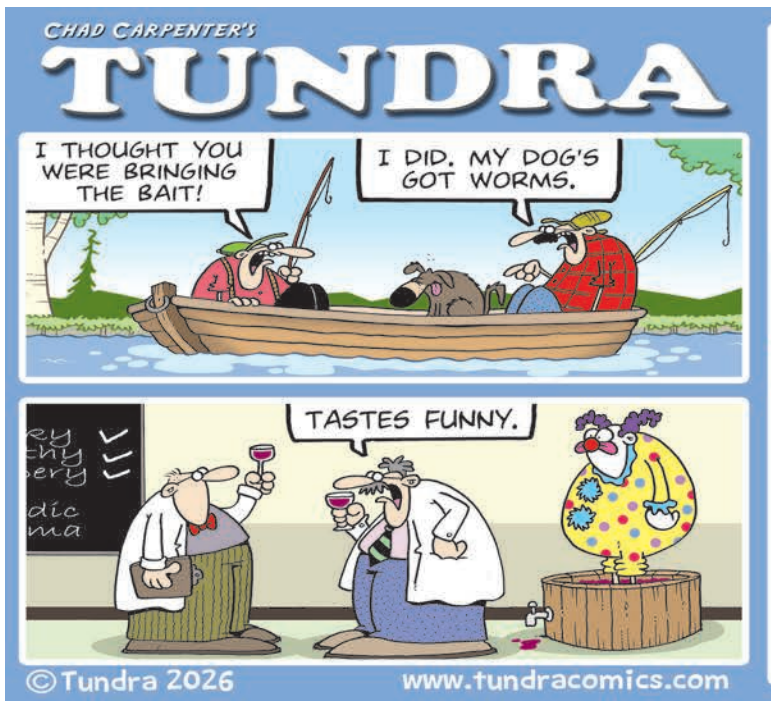
## SERVICES

FOOD BANK DONATIONS WELCOME. Donations may be sent to the Food Bank, PO Box 200, Skagway, AK 99840. The local Food Bank helps those in need with groceries. If you need assistance, or know anyone who needs assistance, at any time of year, call any pastor.

## EMPLOYMENT/VOLUNTEER JOBS

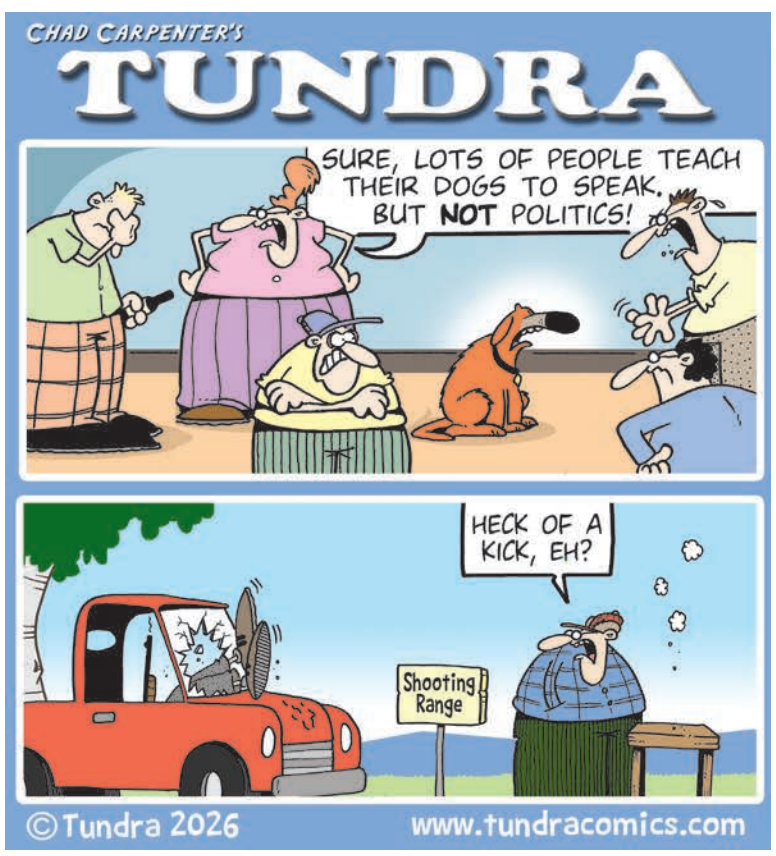
The Skagway News is looking for voluntee freelance writers and a volunteer Community Calendar editor. Contact editor@skagwaynews.com

# THE FUNNIES










# BROADWAY BULLETIN BOARD

**COMMUNITY CALENDAR**

**Library Hours:**
Mon. - Thurs. 11 a.m. - 7 p.m.
Fri. 11 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Weekends 1 p.m. - 5 p.m.
Call 983-2665 or email library@skagway.org

**Dahl Clinic Winter Hours:**
Mon. - Fri. 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. Closed Sat. and Sun.
907-983-2255
For after-hours emergencies, dial 911.

**Solid Waste Facility** Hours
T, Th, Sa, Su. 1 - 3 p.m.
**Skagway Museum**
907-983-2420
**Border stations:**
7 a.m. - 11 p.m.
Call each station for specifics.
**Ferry Terminal Hours**
M-F 7:30 a.m. - 4 p.m.

## SKAGWAY WORSHIP DIRECTORY

**Assembly of God Church**
8th & State • 907-983-2350
Sun. Worship.....11 a.m.
Wed. Bible Devotions & Prayer 7 p.m.
Email skagwayag@outlook.com

**First Presbyterian Church**
5th & Main • 983-2260
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Women's Prayer 10 a.m Tues.
Bible Study time varies.
Please inquire.
Online access available to all events.

**The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints**
11th & State • 983-2518
Sun. Sacrament Meeting...10 a.m.

**St. Therese Catholic Church**
9th & State • 983-2271
Sun. Mass.....4 p.m. and 7 p.m.
Mass Mon. & Tues.....12:10 p.m.
(when a priest is available)

**RECREATION CENTER**
Skagway Recreation Center • 12th & Main • 983-2679

**To reach the Dahl on-duty provider, contact police dispatch at 907-983-2232**

Becky's Place
Haven of Hope
Local Safe House
Assisting women and children in abusive situations
(907)766-2105

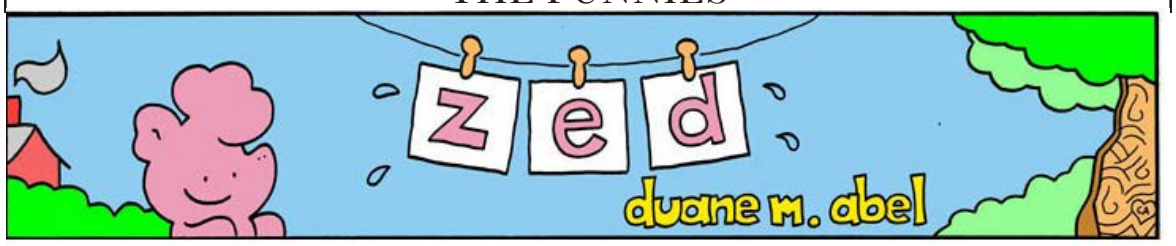
# WEATHER WATCH

**NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE OBSERVATIONS FOR PREVIOUS 24-HOUR PERIOD BEFORE 7 A.M.**

| DATE | MAX | MIN | PREC |
|---|---|---|---|
| Weather Watch 7/214 - 8/10 | | | |
| 7/27 | 65 | 50 | - |
| 7/28 | 70 | 50 | - |
| 7/29 | 77 | 51 | - |
| 7/30 | 77 | 52 | - |
| 7/31 | 76 | 54 | - |
| 8/1 | 71 | 55 | .52 |
| 8/2 | 71 | 55 | .20 |
| 8/3 | 71 | 53 | - |
| 8/4 | 74 | 55 | - |
| 8/5 | 73 | 50 | .02 |
| 8/6 | 74 | 55 | - |
| 8/7 | 81 | 58 | .09 |
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| 8/17 | 63 | 51 | - |
| 8/18 | 60 | 43 | - |
| 8/19 | 62 | 43 | - |
| 8/20 | 65 | 40 | - |
| 8/21 | 66 | 36 | - |
| 8/22 | 44 | 52 | - |
| 8/23 | 68 | 44 | - |

PETRO MARINE
907-983-2259

# THE FUNNIES












# Get another cup of coffee - there's more in the blotter

later discovered it had been mistaken for a similar looking Turo rental and a tourist had taken it to Canada.
- Lost and found reports were taken for a lost iPhone, a lost red wallet, and a found passport later returned to its owner.
- Fire Department personnel responded to a fire alarm on the Klondike Highway. It was found to be false.
- A caller reported a brown and white dog was running north on Alaska Street with no owner in site.
- EMS personnel assisted with a scheduled medevac.

**July 9**
- A complaint was received about tourists filling the street on Third Avenue.
- Lost and found reports were taken for a found pair of prescription glasses, a found wallet that was reunited with its owner, and a found green wallet.
- EMS personnel assisted with a scheduled medevac.
- Fire Department personnel responded to investigate the report of a large fire in a residential yard that had not been permitted.
- EMS personnel responded to a medical emergency.
- Dispatch assisted in contacting the on-duty provider.
- EMS personnel assisted with a scheduled medevac.

**July 10**
- Lost and found reports were taken for a lost green bag.
- Police personnel investigated a report about a vehicle parked for multiple days up the pass.
- A report was received that kids were pushing their bikes into parked cars. An officer went and spoke to the children.
- Fire Department personnel responded to a fire alarm. It was found to be false.

**July 11**
- Police personnel responded to the report of two individuals harassing the bartender and patrons at a local drinking establishment.
- Dispatch assisted in contacting the on-duty provider twice.
- A lost and found report was taken for a found credit card.

**July 12**
- Lost and found reports were taken for a found iPhone, a found Samsung phone, and a found passport. All items were later reunited with their owners.

**July 13**
- EMS personnel assisted with a patient transfer.
- EMS personnel assisted with a scheduled medevac.
- Lost and found reports were taken for a found credit card and a found iPhone that was reunited with its owner.

**July 14**
- Lost and found reports were taken for a found purple backpack and a found credit card that was reunited with its owner.
- Fire department personnel extinguished a smoldering cigarette butt container that was generating a lot of smoke.
- Dispatch assisted with contacting the on-duty provider.

**July 15**
- Lost and found reports were taken for a found cellphone and a found driver's license.
- Fire department personnel responded to two fire alarms downtown. Both were found to be false.
- Police personnel assisted with a vehicle lockout.
- Dispatch assisted with contacting the on-duty provider.
- A caller complained about late night road construction noise. They were advised the company had a special permit to work at night.

**July 16**
- EMS personnel responded to three medical emergencies.
- Lost and found reports were taken for two lost passports.
- A complaint was received about tourists filling the street on Third Avenue.
- Police personnel assisted with removing a disgruntled employee from a business.
- Canada parks reported an injured bear in the Log Cabin area of British Columbia. A Nixle was broadcast to advise visitors to avoid the area until the situation could be addressed.

*Blotter entries form July 17 into September will be published in the next issue*



Photo by Brian Larsen

The Skagway Swinging Sixties finish under the midnight sun in Dawson City. See results at yukonriverquest.com