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## WEEKLY UPDATE

**FEBRUARY 7, 2003**

**Homeland Security Threat Level Orange...** This morning both the Federal and State governments announced that the threat level for terrorist attack has increased and is now classified as "orange." What does that mean for Juneau residents?

The homeland security threat levels are classified in ascending threat level from blue (low threat) through green, yellow, and orange to red (severe threat). Orange is defined as "credible intelligence indicates that there is a high risk of a local terrorist attack but a specific target has not been identified."

A number of organizations have developed guides for what individuals should do under each condition level. Here are some suggestions extracted primarily from guidelines developed by the State of Alaska Office of Homeland Security:

- Conduct normal activities, but expect some delays as a result of heightened security at some public buildings and facilities.
- Exercise caution when travelling. (Travel advice is provided by the Department of State at <http://travel.state.gov> )
- Inventory and organize emergency supply kits and discuss emergency plans with family members. (This is good advice at any time. There are many sources on information regarding individual and family emergency plans and kits. You can find information on the internet at [www.redcross.org](http://www.redcross.org) and at [www.fema.gov](http://www.fema.gov). Additionally, brochures are available at the Juneau Chapter of the Red Cross, 463-5713, and at the CBJ Office of Emergency Management, 586-0221.)
- Consider taking reasonable personal security precautions. Be especially aware of your surroundings and the events happening around you. As always, report activity that seems to be suspicious to JPD. Dial 911 **only** in case of emergencies. To report other suspicious activity call 586-0600.

- Maintain contact with your family and neighbors. (Educate those in higher-risk areas about what Condition Orange means.)

The Red Cross website contains a set of action recommendations for individuals, families, neighborhoods, schools and businesses for each threat condition. It would be prudent to review this information. Condition Orange actions build upon those suggested for the lower threat levels. And, since a war may be imminent, it is not too soon to review procedures for Condition Red.

**Eaglecrest News...** Eaglecrest Ski Area will host beginner-level and family fun on the Bunny Hill this weekend, February 8 & 9. Surface lift tickets will be FREE from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. both Saturday and Sunday. Ski and snowboard The equipment will be available for rent, and the Ski & Snowboard School will offer discounted lessons at 10:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. each day.

The Tubing Hill, Hooter & Ptarmigan Chairlifts, as well as Nordic trails remain CLOSED due to minimal snow coverage with this winter's unseasonably warm weather. The Ski Bus will also not operate this weekend.

The mountain crew has made snow on the lower slopes whenever cooler temperatures allow. This machine-made snow weathers rain and warm temperatures better than natural snow - THANK YOU to the snowmaker team! Last weekend approximately 200 people came up and enjoyed winter fun on the beginner hill - some for their very first time!

The Eaglecrest Board of Directors is currently working on details to offer some sort of credit to its season pass holders, since many days of the ski season have been lost. However, staff and management are hopeful for good spring skiing, and look forward to welcoming everyone back to the mountain as soon as possible.

For updates, call the Snow Conditions report at 586-5330. More info on the web at [www.skijuneau.com](http://www.skijuneau.com)

### **Juneau-Douglas City Museum News...**

The Hands-On History Children's Room opens Friday, February 7. Families and children are invited to explore in our hands-on historic environment, handle objects, try on clothes, and play games. The Hands-on History Room introduces children to Juneau's early community and history and other museum exhibits. The Children's Room is made possible through the generous support of the Alaska State Museum's Grant-in-Aid program.

A Closer Look: The 2nd Wearable Art Exhibit opens with a public reception Friday, February 7, 4:30-7:00 p.m. The exhibit is up through February 22.

Family Bead Circle meets every Saturday this month, 4:00-5:30 p.m.  
Theatrical Character Mask Making Class with Roblin Gray Davis begins February 8, Noon-3:00 pm, registration required. Call 586-3572.

**Centennial Hall List of Events    February 7-14, 2003**

2/7 U.S. Forest Service Fish & Wildlife Conference 7am

2/7 National Seminars "How to handle difficult people" 8:30am

2/8 Bartlett Memorial Hospital Kids Safe 9am

2/9 River of Glory Religious Service 9am

2/10 UAF Geophysical Institute Lecture: "Exploring the  
Secrets of the Aurora Borealis" 7:30pm

2/11-12 State Independent Living Council Quarterly Meeting 8:30am

2/11-13 AK Dept of Fish & Game Workshop 8am

2/11-14 AK Native Health Board "Megameeting" 9am

2/11 Capital City Republicans Lincoln Day Dinner 6pm

2/12-13 UAF Native Rural Development Seminar 8am  
Development Program