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GOOD MORNING



The weather.

Mostly cloudy with snow flurries in the afternoon and highs in the upper teens.

High today 18

Low tonight 7

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Aurora forecast.

Auroral activity will be high. Weather permitting, highly active auroral displays will be visible overhead.

This information is provided by aurora forecasters at the Geophysical Institute at the University of Alaska Fairbanks. For more information about the aurora, visit <http://www.gi.alaska.edu/AuroraForecast>

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HOCKEY WEDDING

Local fan gets married outside Big Dipper before Ice Dogs season opener.

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Art show in Ketchikan highlights starry nights.

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SOURDOUGH JACK:

“My lifestyle puts my jeans at risk.”



Peace and unity



Patsy Behner holds up a candle while addressing a crowd of people Sunday at the Candle Light Vigil for Peace and Unity at Goldenheart Plaza. MATT BUXTON/NEWS-MINER PHOTOS

Fairbanksans gather for candlelight vigil

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After the bitterly divisive national election, a crowd gathered Sunday afternoon for a candlelight vigil in the name of peace and unity.

More than 60 people, across a wide range of ages and backgrounds, attended the vigil at Golden Heart Plaza in downtown Fairbanks for a peaceful protest of the election of Donald Trump and to show unity with the many groups the president-elect targeted on the campaign trail.

Though the event was decidedly anti-Trump, much of the event and speakers focused on healing the divisions created by the election.

“This was about the community and this is a way we can all come together in love and acceptance,” said Steven Arturo Greenlaw, one of event’s organizers.

Many speakers at the event expressed fear that Trump’s

election will encourage sexist, racist and homophobic attitudes, and will be justification for individual acts of hate and violence throughout the country.

Alyssa Quintyne told the crowd about how she’s been targeted for harassment in the

wake of the election, something she never experienced during the 14 years she’s lived in Fairbanks. She called on everyone in the group to stand up against hate and to protect those who are targeted from hate.

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Trump names Priebus, Bannon to senior staff

By Jonathan Lemire and Laurie Kellman
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WASHINGTON — President-elect Donald Trump made his first two key personnel appointments on Sunday, one an overture to Republican circles by naming GOP chief Reince Priebus as his White House chief of staff, the other a shot across the bow of the Washington establishment by tabbing Breitbart news executive Stephan Bannon as chief strategist and senior counselor.

The two men had made up the president-elect’s chief of staff shortlist, and while Priebus received that job, Bannon’s post also is expected to wield significant clout. The media executive with ties to the alt-right and white nationalist movement was given top billing in the press release announcing their appointments.

Trump’s hires were, at first glance, contradictory, though they fit a pattern of the celebrity businessman creating a veritable Rorschach test that allowed his supporters to see what they wanted.

Priebus, who lashed the RNC to Trump this summer despite some intra-party objections, is a GOP operative with deep expertise of the Washington establishment that Trump has vowed to shake up. He has close ties to House Speaker Paul Ryan, a fellow Wisconsinite.

“I am very grateful to the president-elect for this opportunity to serve him and this nation as we work to create an economy that works for everyone, secure our borders, repeal and replace Obamacare and destroy radical Islamic terrorism,” Priebus said in the statement announcing his appointment.



Priebus



Bannon

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BUILDING BLOCKS



Above: Brothers Esau John, 6, left, and Jacob John, 4, build vehicles at the monthly Bricktastic event at the Noel Wien Library on Sunday. Left: Five-year-old Alice Martin plays with Lego bricks. A dozen families gathered in the Berry Room of the Noel Wien Library for the monthly Bricktastic event, where kids get a chance to dig through bins of colorful Lego bricks and build their own creations. The event has been going on for two months, usually held on the third Sunday of the month. The bricks were donated to the library and each event has a theme. Sunday’s event was “transportation.”

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