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Spring 2018

BSNC INTRODUCES DESCENDANT REGISTRY

Receive news and information about descendant benefits



Bering Straits Native Corporation invites descendants to register their information to receive important news and information about descendant benefits. Submitted information will be kept confidential and will only be used for BSNC and Bering Straits Foundation purposes.

WHO?

The BSNC descendant registry is for a lineal descendant (e.g. child, grandchild, great-grandchild) or adoptee of a BSNC shareholder. Descendants who are already BSNC shareholders do not need to register.

DESCENDANT BENEFITS

- Scholarships from the Bering Straits Foundation
- · Hiring and employment preference
- Summer Internship Program
- · Recreational and subsistence land use
- Bereavement benefits

HOW TO REGISTER

To register, descendants must submit a completed registration form, which can be found at beringstraits.com/descendants, and a copy of the state-issued birth certificate establishing the relationship to a BSNC shareholder. If the descendant's name differs from the name on the birth certificate, or if the shareholder's name on the descendant's birth certificate is different from the name BSNC has on file, copies of the legal document(s) substantiating the name change are also required (e.g. a marriage certificate, divorce decree, adoption decree or other legal document). In some cases, it may be necessary to provide additional documents to demonstrate lineal descent.

Descendants may review, update or remove their personal information by emailing descendants@beringstraits.com. For more information, go to www.beringstraits.com/descendants.

NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS

SATURDAY, OCT. 6, 2018 AT 10 A.M.
TO BE HELD IN ANCHORAGE, ALASKA
THE CENTER

4855 ARCTIC BLVD. ANCHORAGE, AK 99503

Voting shareholders who are at least 18 years of age and wish to run for the Board of Directors must file a letter of intent, resume and proxy questionnaire with BSNC by June 14, 2018 at 5 p.m. Shareholders may request a Nominating Packet by mail or email from:

Nominating Committee
Bering Straits Native Corporation
P.O. Box 1008
Nome, Alaska 99762

Email: phoogendorn@beringstraits.com

IMPORTANT: All original letters of intent, resumes and questionnaires must be received by BSNC by June 14, 2018 at 5 p.m.

BSNC SHAREHOLDER PRESENTS PROCLAMATION HONORING SAMI REINDEER HERDERS



Inga Kemi Turi, the youngest granddaughter of Sami reindeer herder Samuel Kemi, and BSNC shareholder Pearl Johnson, hold the Alaska Legislature's honorary proclamation. Kemi was the first Sami reindeer herder to contract with Sheldon Jackson, arriving in Alaska in 1894.

On March 16, 2016, the Alaska State Legislature recognized the 122nd anniversary of the arrival of the Sami reindeer herders and their families from Scandinavia with an honorary proclamation for their humanitarian endeavors.

In 1894 and 1898, Sami were recruited by the U.S. Government with assistance from Sheldon Jackson reindeer herders to teach reindeer

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A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT & CEO



I am excited to share with you news about an opportunity that the new tax law created for BSNC and other Alaska Native Corporations (ANCs) to enhance the benefits we provide to our shareholders and descendants. ANCs have been authorized to create "Settlement Trusts" since the 1980s, and several regional corporations have already created these trusts. Under the law, a Settlement Trust is authorized to promote the health, education, and welfare of its beneficiaries, and to preserve the heritage and culture of Alaska Natives.

At its February 2018 meeting, the BSNC Board authorized the creation of the BSNC Beringia Settlement Trust. This trust will be a separate legal entity from BSNC, and its board will be appointed by BSNC. In order to create a BSNC Settlement Trust, shareholders must approve its creation by a vote of the majority of shares present (in person or by proxy) at a meeting for which a quorum is established. We are asking that you vote YES to authorize the creation of the BSNC Beringia Settlement Trust at the 2018 Annual Meeting.

You may wonder why BSNC wants to create a Settlement Trust right away. The answer is that the new tax law created financial incentives for BSNC to save money on taxes by making contributions to the Trust for the benefit of our shareholders and descendants. The Trust could be used to fund dividends, elder distributions, and bereavement assistance payments. The Trust may also be used for scholarships and funds for cultural

preservation and promotion programs. Finally, contributions received by the Trust from BSNC would be taxed just one time at the low flat rate of 10%, and dividends and other distributions from the Trust to shareholders and descendants are expected to be tax free.

Once BSNC contributes cash or other assets to the Settlement Trust, they can only be used for the generation and distribution of benefits to the shareholders and/or beneficiaries of the Trust. BSNC cannot take any money out of the Trust for its own uses once contributions are made.

The BSNC Beringia Settlement Trust will serve to provide a dividend distributions, elder benefits, bereavement assistance, scholarships and support cultural preservation and promotion programs. Additional information will be included on the BSNC website and Facebook page, and in the Annual Report and proxy you will receive prior to the 2018 Annual Meeting.

Again, we ask that you vote YES to allow BSNC to create the BSNC Beringia Settlement Trust. Quyaana to you our shareholders for your ongoing support and involvement in BSNC.

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Gail R. Schubert

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SIGN UP TO RECEIVE THE BSNC E-NEWSLETTER!

BSNC invites shareholders to help reduce paper usage by signing up to receive the Agluktuk newsletter electronically. The e-Newsletter, which is sent via email, respects our environment and is received in a more timely fashion than the mailed newsletter.

Shareholders who receive the e-Newsletters may also request to receive paper copies of editions that are meaningful to them, and full copies of the paper newsletter will continue to be posted to the BSNC website in a PDF format.

Visit www.beringstraits.com/enewsletter to sign up.



BSNC SEEKS YOUNG PROVIDERS NOMINATIONS

The Young Providers Award honors young people from the BSNC region who contribute on a daily basis to the health and well-being of their families, communities and culture. Nomination Criteria:

- He/she cares for family through subsistence activities, Elder care, or mentoring of young people in traditional activities and values or education.
- He/she is involved in activities that benefit the community such as suicide prevention programs, youth sports, and community well-being and health.

The deadline for nominations is July 17, 2018.

- **1.** Download the nomination form at **beringstraits.com/youngproviders** or request one by phone (907) 443-5252.
- **2.** Complete form and submit by:
- Mail: BSNC Nome Headquarters P.O.Box 1008, 110 Front Street, Suite 300 Nome, Alaska 99762
- **Fax:** (907) 443-2985
- Email: kgooden@beringstraits.com

SHAREHOLDER ADDRESSES NEEDED

ADAM COYLE REDDAWAY ADAM S. GARMAN ADRIENNE DEANNA LOCKWOOD ALAN T. DAVIS ALICE MAE KAVAIRLOOK ALLEN N. A. PEARSON ALMA MULLINS AMOS FRANK OXEREOK ANNOKAZOOKA LAZYNA SANCHEZ ANTHONY PITOOKNUK **MAZONNA** ANTHONY LANE FRY ANTONIA MARIE DENMARK **ASHLEY HYDER** BERNICE ADA ADAMS **BILLY ONEAL BOBBY COLLINS** BRENDA LEE RAYMOND **BRENT WILLIAM HUFFER CANDICE FILKINS** CARLA JUNE EVANS CARMEN MARIE FISHER CHANDRE MARIE SZAFRAN CHARLES VANN CHARLES L. ROBERTS CHARLES DAVID RAYMOND SR. **CHARLES NEPHEW** CHELSEA ROSE BORKOWSKI CHRISTINE ISHNOOK CLARK KOWCHEE

Date: ___

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JOHN BARNARD JOHNSON

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Are you receiving important mailings from BSNC, including newsletters and dividends? It is important that shareholders keep their mailing address up-to-date. Visit http://beringstraits.com/shareholders/forms/address_name_change.pdf to update your address today or use the form below.

SHAREHOLDER NAME AND ADDRESS CHANGE FORM

JOHN HENRY MONEYMAKER

BSNC shareholders should update the Shareholder Records Department directly in writing anytime their mailing address or name changes. Address changes for shareholders under the age of 18 must be signed by the minor's custodian. Mail in this form or send a signed letter to BSNC with your social security number, date of birth and new address to:

Print name: New mailing address: ____ For name changes, BSNC requires that you attach a _____ State: ____ ZIP: City: legal document with your new name, such as a copy Social security number: _____ Date of birth: certificate or divorce decree. Contact phone number: _____ Email address: _ New name: ____ Former name:_ (If applicable) I am also a custodian for: Signature: Signature:____

Bering Straits Native Corporation P.O. Box 1008 Nome, Alaska 99762

You may also call our Nome or Anchorage offices at (907) 443-5252 or (907) 563-3788 or email us at shareholders@beringstraits.com.

MAIL COMPLETED FORM TO:

of a court record, valid government ID, marriage Social security number:____ Date of birth:____

Date:

BERING STRAITS NATIVE CORPORATION ALASKA STATUTE 13.16.705(b) WILL ALASKA NATIVE CLAIMS SETTLEMENT ACT OF 1971

MAIL COMPLETED FORM TO: Bering Straits Native Corporation P.O. Box 1008 Nome, Alaska 99762

, having attained the age of eighteen (18) years and being of sound mind, and solely for the purposes of AS 13.16.705(b) and ANCSA of 1971, Sec. 7(h)(2), freely and voluntarily execute this will and hereby devise and bequeath my shares of stock in Bering Straits Native Corporation and _ ____village corporation to: Name of village

Name	Current Address	% of Shares

This Will revokes any bequest of the stock, described above, in any previously existing will or codicil. If I now own more shares than I have bequeathed above, I direct that the remaining shares shall be split pro rata among the persons named above. BSNC recommends that all existing fractional shares of stock be given to one person, and that existing whole shares be given as whole shares and not split into fractional shares.

This instrument shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Alaska.

Dated at			,		:
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Signatur	e of Testator				
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I, being first sworn, declare that the testator signs and executes this instrument as his/her last will and that he/she signs it willingly, and I sign this will as witness of the testator's signing, and that to the best of my knowledge the testator is 18 years or older, of sound mind, and under no constraint or undue influence.

State of:			Judicial District)					
Subscribed, sworn to and acknowledged before me by								
the testator, this	day of	, 20	_					
Notary Public or Pos	stmaster							

In and for the State of _

SHAREHOLDER NEWS



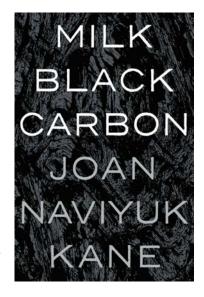
CONGRATULATIONS!

BSNC congratulates shareholder Jennine Jordan on being selected as an awardee of the Alaska Journal of Commerce's Top Forty Under 40 class of 2018!

Jennine Jordan is the daughter of BSNC shareholder and director Ella Anagick.

SHAREHOLDER KANE **PUBLISHES FOURTH BOOK**

BSNC shareholder Joan Naviyuk Kane has published a fourth poetry book titled "Milk Black Carbon." Milk Black Carbon works against the narratives of dispossession and survival that mark the contemporary experience of many indigenous people, and Inuit in particular. In this collection, autobiographical details - motherhood, marriage, extended family and its geographical context in the rapidly changing arctic - negotiate arbitrary landscapes of our perplexing frontiers through fragmentation and interpretation of conventional lyric expectations.



Kane is the author of *The Cormorant Hunter's Wife, Hyperboreal* and *The* Straits. She has earned numerous awards for her writing including the Whiting Writer's Award, the Donald Hall Prize in Poetry, the American Book Award, the Alaska Literary Award, and fellowships from the Rasmuson Foundation, the Native Arts and Cultures Foundation and the School for Advanced Research. Kane, who holds a Bachelor of Arts degree from Harvard University and a Master of Fine Arts (MFA) degree from Columbia University, is a faculty mentor in the MFA program at the Institute of American Indian Arts in Santa Fe, New Mexico. She is Inupiaq with family from King Island and Mary's Igloo and lives in Anchorage, Alaska.

BSNC SHAREHOLDER PROMOTED TO BENEFITS **ADMINISTRATOR**

BSNC is pleased to announce that shareholder Annabelle Ryan has been promoted from Benefits Technician to Benefits Administrator. Ryan will have a significant role in managing and administering employee benefit programs



Annabelle Ryan

for BSNC, multiple subsidiaries and joint ventures that are conducting business in approximately 30 different states and foreign locations. Ryan began working for BSNC in the Accounting Department in 2009 and in 2013, was recruited to the Human Resources Department. Ryan is the daughter of Karen Bradley and the late Fred Ryan Jr. of Unalakleet.

AIH RECRUITING SHAREHOLDERS, **DESCENDANTS AND SPOUSES**

BSNC subsidiary Alaska Industrial Hardware (AIH) is continually accepting applications from BSNC shareholders, BSNC descendants and spouses of BSNC shareholders. AIH seeks:



- 1. Requisition #2121 Counter Sales
- 2. Requisition #2122 Warehouse Worker I

These are core positions for AIH. Please note that a position may not be immediately available and the submission of your application does not guarantee employment. This solicitation is intended to create a pool of qualified BSNC shareholder/descendant/spouse applicants who will be interviewed for openings as they occur. If you are qualified for the position, please apply and you will be contacted when a position opens. Time frames vary. Apply at beringstraits.com/careers.

HISTORICAL SPOTLIGHT: ARCTIC ARC PEACE PROJECT

The Arctic Arc Peace Project (1986-1991) was composed of two landmark sculptures by shareholder artist Joe Senungetuk from Kinigin (Wales) and David Barr of Michigan. The "hand," located in Kinigin, symbolizes a peaceful handshake between the Alaska and Chukotka Inuit amidst a history of international tension dating back to the Cold War. The hand and the bird it holds face west for a reason: a large metal umiaq sculpture is located approximately 60 miles directly across the Bering Strait in Naukan, Russia. The umiaq is positioned as if to sail across to Kinigin.

For many years, Inuit have traveled back and forth across the Bering Strait by umiaq to visit and trade with friends and family. These landmarks stand as symbols for the relationship between Alaskan and Chukotkan Inuit. The ties between our peoples and families go back thousands of years.

Read more about the Arctic Arc in a Village Life Stories entry by shareholder Vernae Angnaboogok at beringstraits.com/villagelife.



The "hand" in Kinjigin stands tall along the base of the mountain with open wooden hands joined at the wrist with a metal bird positioned as if in flight directly across to Naukan, Russia.

BSNC REGION NEWS

SHAREHOLDER SPOTLIGHT: PATRICIA LONGLEY COCHRAN

BSNC shareholder Patricia Longley Cochran has served as Executive Director of the Alaska Native Science Commission (ANSC) since its inception in 1994. ANSC was established to bring together research and science in partnership with the Alaska Native community.

Cochran has worked on numerous research projects throughout the Arctic and has shared her extensive knowledge of key issues impacting Arctic communities at forums



Patricia Longley Cochran

worldwide. Her works include numerous articles and publications that have appeared internationally on programs reporting on climate change and indigenous issues. Cochran and ANSC are currently working on climate change and black carbon projects in the Bering Strait region.

Cochran has also shared her love of science and learning with many youth through internships at ANSC and by developing science curricula for K-12th grade students based on Alaska Native science and traditional knowledge. Cochran is extremely grateful to work directly with Alaska Native communities, especially Elders, who have shared their knowledge, wisdom and guidance.

Cochran was born and raised in Nome, Alaska and has family ancestry in Nome, King Island and Wales. Her mother is the late Frances Longley, and her late brother Gary Longley was the former Executive Director of BSNC. Cochran currently resides in Anchorage, Alaska. Learn more about Cochran at www.nativescience.org/about/cochran.htm.

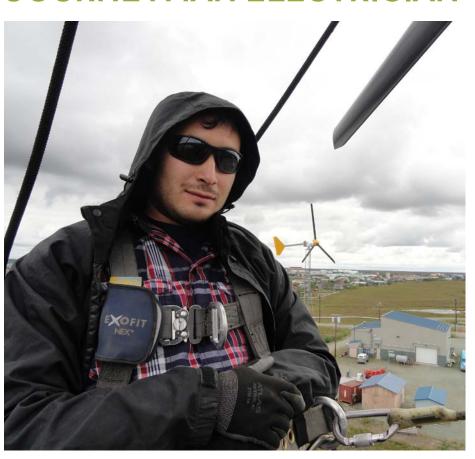
VILLAGE LIFE STORIES PROJECT



Help share the Bering Strait region's rich cultural history!

BSNC's Village Life Stories Project seeks to share the Bering Strait region's rich cultural history. BSNC shareholders and descendants are invited to submit short stories of personal experiences about growing up and life in the village to media@beringstraits.com. Photos are not required but encouraged. Story entries must be accompanied by the author's name, hometown and a story title. Selected stories will be shared on BSNC's Facebook page and website at www.beringstraits.com/villagelife.

BSNC SHAREHOLDER BECOMES CERTIFIED JOURNEYMAN ELECTRICIAN



BSNC would like to congratulate shareholder Richard Eggart of Nome on becoming an Alaska Certified Journeyman Electrician. Eggart has worked with BSNC subsidiary Bering Straits Development Company (BSDC) since 2012 where he started as a laborer before entering the Electrical Apprenticeship Program. Eggart is the third shareholder to complete the program and become an Alaska Certified Journeyman Electrician under BSDC. Congratulations, Richard!

MONTHLY STOCK WILL DRAWING WINNERS

MAIL IN YOUR UPDATED STOCK WILL TODAY AND BE ENTERED INTO A DRAWING TO WIN \$200!

NOVEMBER Tyler Timothy Daniel Takak

DECEMBER Norma V. Andrews

JANUARY **Helen Iyapana**FEBRUARY **Shawn P. Pushruk**

MARCH Selma Rock

Mail in your updated stock will today and be entered into a drawing to win \$200. Having a Stock Will on file with BSNC lets you decide who will inherit your stock after your death. If you pass away without a Stock Will, your stock will be distributed according to state law, and may be distributed to individuals you do not intend to benefit. Please visit beringstraits.com/shareholders/forms/ or call (907) 443-5252 to update your stock will today.

BSNC NEWS

BSNC SUBSIDIARY GAT WORKS ALONGSIDE GHANA POLICE SERVICE



A GAT IPPOS instructor explains and demonstrates to Ghanaian police the use and care of gas masks as part of their training prior to deploying to South Sudan for peacekeeping purposes.

A team of Global Asset Technologies, LLC (GAT) trainers from the Bureau of International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs' (INL) International Police Peacekeeping Operations and Support (IPPOS) Program is currently working alongside the Ghana Police Service to prepare a unit for a deployment to the United Nations Mission in South Sudan. INL's trainers work to ensure that police officers have the essential skills needed to safely conduct their mission while deployed. With the instability in the region and the growing hunger crisis, it is important to equip officers with the expertise to patrol neighborhoods and refugee camps, protect buildings, or quickly and appropriately respond to an emergency. On their return, they will be able to apply these same skills within their home country.

The IPPOS program helps build the skills and capacity of partner country police forces to face the austere environments and meet the growing demand for police in United Nations Peacekeeping. The Ghana Police have been a partner for several years, continuing to take on more of the training responsibility.

Ghana has contributed 384 police officers to peacekeeping missions. GAT has been training these officers as well as implementing a Training of Trainers program since 2015.

GROW YOUR CAREER

With more than 1,500 employees working on projects across the U.S. and globe, BSNC employees play an important role in helping BSNC fulfill its mission to improve the quality of life of our people through economic development while protecting our land and preserving our culture and heritage.





AIH AWARDED ASSOCIATE OF THE YEAR AWARD FROM AGC



James Bienvenu and Timothy Larson with AIH accept the 2017 Associate of the Year Award from AGC's Thea Scalise.

BSNC subsidiary Alaska Industrial Hardware received the 2017 Associate of the Year Award from the Associated General Contractors (AGC) of Alaska on Dec. 12. AGC of Alaska is a nonprofit construction trade association consisting of general contractors, subcontractors and industry professionals dedicated to improving the professional standards of the construction industry. AGC has been a significant part of the construction industry in Alaska since its establishment in 1948.

GPS EMPLOYEES RECEIVE COMMENDATION AWARDS



BSNC President and CEO Gail Schubert congratulates Captain William Tidwell for his exemplary service.

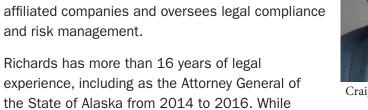
On Nov. 17, BSNC subsidiary Global Precision Systems, LLC (GPS) employee Captain William Tidwell and his staff received Commendation Awards for exemplary service and performance of duties during the Civil Rights and Civil Liberties (CRCL) Inspection at the El Paso Processing Center. Under the direction of Captain Tidwell, his staff met and exceeded all CRCL standards. The Office for Civil Rights and Civil Liberties supports the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's mission to secure the nation while preserving individual liberty, fairness and equality under the law.

GPS operates the EI Paso Processing Center in Texas for the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement. Duties at the site include employing detention officers, transportation officers and food service staff to operate the center.

BSNC NEWS

RICHARDS APPOINTED TO PFD BOARD

Governor Bill Walker announced that he has appointed BSNC Vice President and General Counsel Craig Richards to the Alaska Permanent Fund Corporation Board of Trustees. Richards provides general legal counsel to BSNC and its affiliated companies and oversees legal compliance and risk management.





Craig Richards

serving as Attorney General, he played a key role in developing the concepts that underpin the Permanent Fund Protection Act, a proposal now being considered by the Legislature that would ensure the longevity of the dividend program while leveraging the state's wealth to help pay for government services. Prior to serving as Attorney General, Richards was in private practice where he specialized in tax, finance and oil and gas law. He holds a Master of Business Administration from Duke University's Fuqua School of Business and a Juris Doctor from Washington & Lee University. He earned a Bachelor of Science in Finance from the University of Virginia.

"Craig is an asset to the Board because of his extensive knowledge of public finance and Permanent Fund policy," Governor Walker said.

PARAGON AWARDED SPILL RESPONSE CONTRACT



1,350 gallons of jet fuel from a truck rollover accident were excavated in Fort Wainwright, Alaska.

Last fall, BSNC subsidiary Paragon Professional Services, LLC (Paragon) was awarded a two-year contract with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to perform spill response activities in Fort Wainwright, Alaska. Tasks include providing response to prevent, contain, control, clean up, remove and dispose of hazardous waste and material. Paragon has responded to two releases that occurred mid-October. The first response consisted of a 20-gallon release of jet fuel, while the second response consisted of a 1,350-gallon release from a rollover accident involving a truck. The contaminated material is stockpiled in Fairbanks, Alaska awaiting treatment.

Paragon offers a wide-range of environmental remediation services to both private- and public-sector clients throughout the United States. Its experienced staff is dedicated to producing high-quality documentation and providing safe field execution to support its clients' environmental planning and assessment, investigation, remediation, restoration and construction projects in line with local, state and federal guidelines and regulations.

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BSNC SHAREHOLDER PRESENTS PROCLAMATION HONORING SAMI REINDEER HERDERS

husbandry to Alaska Native apprentices from western Alaska. Despite language difficulties, this large-scale teaching and hands-on training program transformed the lives and culture of many Alaskans by providing a marketable, locally available protein source. In addition, tanning hides made fur available for outerwear and by-products through present day. The Sami's heroic efforts included traveling with reindeer from Haines to Circle City to save miners stuck in snow without provisions. They also herded reindeer from Teller Mission to Barrow to save the crew of a ship trapped in ice.

On Aug. 19, 2017, BSNC shareholder and Sami Cultural Center of North America Board Member and consultant Pearl Johnson traveled to Jokkmokk, Sweden, to participate in the 6th World Reindeer Herders Congress. Every four years the Association of World Reindeer Herders brings reindeer herders from across the circumpolar North to network, share experiences and traditional knowledge, hear from scientific experts, learn of cultural practices and celebrate. While attending, Johnson presented the proclamation to the descendants of the original Alaska Sami herders.

NORTH RIVER RADIO RELAY STATION SITE UPDATE



BSNC descendant Quinn Ivanoff of Unalakleet operates the auger for the soil sample collection at the landfarm.

Remediation work by BSNC subsidiary Eagle Eye Electric, LLC (Eagle Eye) will continue this summer at the North River Radio Relay Station (RRS) site, 12 miles east of Unalakleet, Alaska. During fall 2017, the U.S. Air Force received permission from the Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation to move 5,000 cubic yards of successfully treated soil from the land farm, located at the former White Alice Communications site at the North River RRS, to a fenced-off excavation site. Another 3,000 cubic yards of stockpiled soil will be moved to the land farm for treatment beginning summer of 2018. Additionally, an estimated 800-1,800 cubic yards of remaining contaminated soil is expected to be excavated and treated.

Planning is ongoing and a public meeting is scheduled to be held on Tuesday, May 22 at 7 p.m. at the Myles Gonongan/Aaron Paneok Memorial Hall. Work is expected to begin in late May after breakup has occurred. As in past years, Eagle Eye plans to use a local labor force to support the field effort. If you have any questions, please contact Environmental Project Manager Claire Costello at ccostello@beringstraits.com.

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BSF LAUNCHES FUNDRAISING CAMPAIGN

Since 1991, the Bering Straits Foundation (BSF) has helped Bering Straits Native Corporation shareholders and descendants achieve their educational and vocational goals by offering scholarship and fellowship opportunities. BSF has provided more than \$2.6 million in educational funding to help empower Our People who are gaining knowledge and skills needed to make positive impact in our communities.

On behalf of BSF, I am excited to announce a new campaign that will be critical to fulfilling BSF's core mission to support the educational and vocational goals of Our People, strengthening sustainable communities and enriching Native cultural heritage and traditional values.

Our goal is to raise \$50,000 in 2018!

Your support helps positively impact the lives of BSF recipients such as Isabel Yamat, a BSF recipient who participated in the Bering Straits Native Corporation summer internship program and was promoted to Assistant Facilities Security Officer:

"I am grateful for the support Bering Straits Foundation gave me while I pursued my degree. I was a first generation college student, and with their support I was able to obtain my degree. The support and assistance they dedicate to Bering Straits shareholders and descendants is truly admirable and uplifting." - Isabel Yamat

Your investment is more than a commitment to the Bering Straits Foundation. It is an affirmation of your connection with the next generation



BSNC CEO Gail Schubert thanks shareholder Cindy (Towarak) Massie and her husband Thomas for their generous \$20,000 donation to the Bering Straits Foundation. Cindy and Thomas presented their check at the 2017 BSNC holiday party.

of student leaders and our shared future as members of the Bering Straits Foundation community. It is a commitment that we cannot achieve without your help and we need your support.

Visit our website at beringstraits.com/foundation to learn more about this effort and how you can be a part of it by making a donation.

Sincerely,

Tabetha Toloff BSF Board President