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BSNC SEEKS YOUNGPROVIDERS 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.

This award recognizes a young person who perpetuates Alaska Native culture and a positive lifestyle not by measure of academic or financial success, but by serving as positive examples and providing for their community in one or more of the following ways:

- 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.

Please call (907) 443-5252 to receive a form via mail or fax or go to www.beringstraits.com/youngproviders.

Completed nomination forms can be mailed, faxed or emailed.

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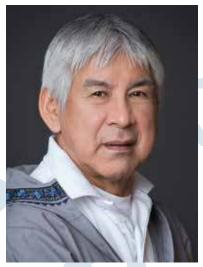
The deadline for nominations is **July 9, 2019**. Nominations will be accepted from family members, tribal and corporation board members, school teachers or administrators and community members.



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BSNC PAYS TRIBUTE TO TIM TOWARAK

BSNC grieves the passing of longtime Board member and former President & CEO Tim Towarak who passed away on Feb. 4. Tim was elected to serve on the BSNC Board of Directors in 1989 and was the second longest serving member of the Board when he passed. Tim was named President & CEO of BSNC in 2000, retiring to take on the full-time role of Federal Subsistence Board co-Chair in 2009, where he worked tirelessly to protect Alaska Native peoples' subsistence rights. Tim's association with BSNC dates back to 1973 when he worked on the original enrollment under ANCSA of BSNC shareholders.



Tim Towarak

Among his many accomplishments, Tim also served as Co-Chair of the Alaska Federation of Natives and Special Assistant on Rural Issues to then-Governor Tony Knowles. Tim served in many capacities on BSNC's Board of Directors, including as Treasurer of the Board, member of the Executive Committee and Chair of the Audit and Portfolio Committees.

Tim's contribution to BSNC as an Executive and member of the Board of Directors will very much be missed. A service was held on Saturday, Feb. 9 in Unalakleet at the school gym. Please keep his family in your thoughts and prayers as they go through this difficult time.



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A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT & CEO



The longer days we are now seeing are a welcome and telltale sign of spring. This past winter produced record snow for some of our villages, and several others experienced a complete loss of shorefast and winter ice coverage more than once during this time. The sun's reappearance brings renewed energy, an increase in time spent outdoors and once again, the annual return of our traditional subsistence activities, including harvesting migratory birds and their eggs, marine mammals, and greens. We are hopeful that the changing weather and ice conditions does not

negatively impact our spring subsistence activities. If you see or experience dramatic changes that impact your subsistence activities, please contact me at gschubert@BSNC.net to share your observations.

I am pleased to share an update regarding BSNC's Beringia Settlement Trust, which was created after shareholders overwhelmingly voted to approve a resolution establishing the Trust at the 2018 Annual Meeting of Shareholders. A permanent fund has been created within the Beringia Settlement Trust to grow assets and generate investment returns into perpetuity for the benefit of our shareholders and descendants. The Settlement Trust also serves to protect the continuity of existing benefits, including Elder distributions, bereavement benefits, and education. BSNC recently contributed cash and other assets of almost \$30 million to the Trust as an initial funding.

As a reminder, Settlement Trusts are intended to benefit shareholders, descendants and Alaska Native people. Revenue generated from Settlement Trusts can be used to provide dividends, scholarships, bereavement benefits, and support cultural programs. As BSNC contributes cash and other assets to the Settlement Trust, we are able to reduce our current and future federal income tax liability. Because BSNC distributed the special Elders dividend in November and the shareholder dividend in December

from the Settlement Trust, these distributions are not subject to federal income tax by our shareholders.

I am also excited to share information about a great career opportunity for BSNC shareholders and descendants. BSNC is offering qualified shareholders and descendants a one-time scholarship for up to \$2,000 to be used to pay for training required for a career opportunity with Edison Chouest Offshore (ECO). The scholarship will help qualified candidates obtain prerequisite TWIC and U.S. Coast Guard Merchant Mariners certificates, and pay for air travel to ECO's training facility in Louisiana. Meals and lodging will be provided to successful candidate applicants by ECO.

Once hired, training will start immediately. The classroom training lasts two weeks, followed by three months of on-the-job training in the Gulf of Mexico. Whether you are an entry-level candidate or an experienced mariner, each candidate will have an individual development plan to work toward higher U.S. Coast Guard licenses and pay. ECO's state-of-the-art training center is one of the most advanced in the world. Staffed by U.S. Coast Guard-Certified Instructors, the ECO training staff will provide Alaska Native hires with the training and qualifications needed to build a successful career in the maritime industry. I encourage anyone interested in this opportunity to contact Brent Lirette at (907) 562-2136 or brent.lirette@chouest.com.

As May is rapidly approaching, on behalf of the BSNC Board of Directors and staff, I extend congratulations to our shareholders and descendants who are graduating from high school, college, and graduate school. We are all proud of your accomplishments and wish you well in your future endeavors.

In closing, I want to acknowledge the lifelong commitment to BSNC of our former Director and President & CEO Tim Towarak, who recently passed away. I thank his family, and especially his wife Rose, for the many years that Tim worked on behalf of our People, resulting in much time spent away from them. Quyaana, and may Tim's memory be eternal.

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Gail R. Schubert BSNC President & CEO

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HISTORICAL SPOTLIGHT: WHITE ALICE

Anyone who has visited Nome has seen the iconic White Alice antennas atop Anvil mountain. The White Alice Communication System (WACS) once connected with the remote Air Force sites, the Distant Early Warning (DEW) line and also served to enhance and expand telephone service in Alaska. The primary use of the system was as an early warning and communication network to guard against potential Russian nuclear or aerial attacks.

Technically speaking, the four billboard-like structures at the Nome site are "parabolic tropospheric scatter antennas." Construction of the site started during the Cold War in 1955 and the system was commissioned in 1958, having been built for the U.S. Airforce by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and civilian employees. In 1970 the Air Force transferred the sites to RCA Alascom and they were used for civilian communication until the late 1970's. Satellites now perform the security and communications duties that the WACS and DEW line facilities once fulfilled.

Beginning in the 1990's a debate occurred in Nome concerning whether the antennas should be removed or be left standing. The area immediately surrounding the antennas contained various contaminates, and the sheathing on the back of the structures contained lead paint and asbestos.



White Alice antennas atop Anvil mountain.

Mitigation and cleanup occurred over many years and the antennas remain atop Anvil Mountain to this day. When low fog obscures the coastline and low-lying land near Nome, the White Alice site still serves as a navigation aid for mariners.

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SHAREHOLDER NEWS

SHAREHOLDER SPOTLIGHT: DR. DONNY OLSON

BSNC shareholder Dr. Donald (Donny) Olson is known by many throughout the Bering Strait region. Dr. Olson was born to Martin and Maggie Olson in Nome and raised in Golovin. He has an extensive list of academic credentials and his occupations include physician, pilot, businessman, reindeer herder and state senator.



Dr. Donny Olson

Dr. Olson attended Covenant High School in Unalakleet. On weekends, his father flew him home from school in a small plane in

order for him to be with his family in Golovin. These flights became flying lessons, and Donny earned his pilot's license before completing high school. After high school he earned a B.A. in Chemistry from the University of Minnesota in Duluth. He then studied at the University of North Dakota School of Medicine and in 1983, received a M.D. from Oral Roberts University School of Medicine. After a medical internship with St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Youngstown, Ohio, Olson returned to rural Alaska to fulfill a life-long dream of practicing medicine in his home area.

As a physician in rural Alaska, Dr. Olson has experienced unique situations rarely encountered in urban settings; for example, he performed the last emergency Cesarean section done in Nome, and by necessity, he used only local anesthesia in performing the surgery, since Nome had no anesthesiologist. At a village clinic on Saint Lawrence Island, he delivered a premature infant who tried to come into this world by breech. When emergency medical technicians brought a young man with a gunshot wound to the head into the emergency room, Dr. Olson stabilized the patient for transport to specialized surgery in Anchorage; the patient recovered sufficiently to resume a productive life. Dr. Olson holds the rare distinction of having practiced medicine in all of western Alaska's remote hospitals and he has visited many of the village clinics. In 1995, on the recommendation of the late Tim Towarak, Gov. Knowles appointed Dr. Olson to the Alaska State Medical Board.

In 2000, Dr. Olson was elected to the Alaska State Senate for District T, which includes 60 communities throughout North and West Alaska. He continues to strive to improve the conditions of living in rural Alaska through his position as Senator.

When the legislature is not in session, Dr. Olson resides in his hometown of Golovin in the home he grew up in. During the summer, he enjoys being a commercial pilot, spending time camping with his family. Olson's wife is Willow Olson and his children are: Ipialalook (Martin), Igeetook (Junior), Dulgomick (Margaret), Digickson (Solomon), Susuzak (Elise) and Omilak (David).

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.



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BSNC ANNOUNCES EXECUTIVE PROMOTIONS

BSNC has announced three promotions within the company's senior management team. Krystal Nelson was promoted to Senior Vice President/Chief Operating Officer, Dan Graham was promoted to Senior Vice President and Karla Grumman was promoted to Chief Human Resources Officer/Associate Vice President.

"Krystal, Dan and Karla have contributed significantly to the success and growth of BSNC," said President and CEO Gail R. Schubert. "I am pleased to announce these well-deserved promotions which reflect Krystal, Dan and Karla's leadership and commitment to BSNC's mission."

Krystal Nelson joined BSNC in 2014 following a successful 18-year career working in public and private business sectors managing federal, state and municipal contracts. Her experience includes management of multi-million dollar programs and projects, union negotiations and managing more than 1,200 personnel.

Dan Graham joined BSNC in 2014 after nearly 20 years managing projects for the public and private sector in construction, remediation and service work. His background includes management and operational responsibility for large multi-million dollar international programs, implementing strategic plans and policies and facilitating corporate marketing and business development.

Karla Grumman joined BSNC in 2017 after serving as senior director of human resources for NANA. She leads the overall administration, coordination, compliance and evaluation of human resources services, policies, procedures and programs for the Company and its subsidiaries. Grumman has 27 years of experience in human resources.

KINGIKMIUT DANCERS TEACH BSNC EMPLOYEES DANCE LESSONS



From right: Denise Pollock, Shannon Hawkins, Ravynn Nothstine, Greg Nothstine, Richard Atuk, Heidi Senungetuk, Stephanie Hawkins, Jennifer McCarty-Charette and her son Liam and daughter Emiline. Every member pictured is either a BSNC shareholder or descendant.

BSNC descendant Ravynn Nothstine invited her family and members of the Kingikmiut Dancers and Singers group to teach BSNC employees a few traditional dances during the lunch hour. Ravynn is a Geologist at Paragon Professional Services, a BSNC company. A big thanks to the Kingikmiut group for taking the time to teach the employees!



BSNC shareholder Richard Atuk and BSNC descendant Greg Nothstine

BSNC REGION NEWS

QSA: RESOURCE REVENUE

The framers of the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act (ANCSA) anticipated that tensions would arise over the split estate of ownership between subsurface estate, which are owned by regional corporations and surface estate, which are owned by village corporations. The framers of ANCSA designed it to require a mechanism to redistribute a major portion of all proceeds from resource development such as oil and gas development, mineral development and timber sales to all regional and village corporations. Revenue sharing helps balance the benefits of resource rich and resource poor regions and allows these benefits to be redistributed to many more shareholders and communities.

What is Section 7(i)?

Section 7(i) of ANCSA requires that, after certain allowable costs are deducted, each corporation is able to keep 30% of its net resource revenues, with the remaining 70% divided among the twelve Alaskabased regional corporations—including the distributing region. The portion of the 70% pool that each regional corporation receives is calculated based on the number of original enrollees to the corporation under ANCSA. Because the payments made to the regional corporations are required by Section 7(i) of ANCSA, they are known as 7(i) payments.

What is Section 7(j)?

Of the 70% pool that each regional corporation receives, 50% is kept and may be used for operating expense, payment toward its own shareholder dividend or investment. The other 50%, called a 7(j) payment, is divided among at-large shareholders and village corporations (based on their proportion of shareholders) in the BSNC region.

It is important to note that congress did not mandate that the village corporations distribute 7(j) payments to their own shareholders. Directors of each respective village corporation decide how to use their revenues in a wide variety of ways. At-large shareholders receive the payments directly because they do not have a village corporation to decide how the money will be used.

What are Class A and Class B shares?

BSNC currently issues two classes of shares: Class A shares are held by at-large shareholders who are not associated with a village corporation in the region or who may have inherited or been gifted at-large shares. Class B shares are held by shareholders also enrolled with a village corporation in the region.

Who owns at-large shares (Class A)?

At-large shareholders are shareholders who did not enroll in a BSNC village corporation. At the time of enrollment, these shares were generally issued to people who were living outside the region but whose family was originally from the region. A shareholder may own class A shares through inheritance or gifting. Please contact the shareholder department at (907) 443-5252 to see if you have inherited or been gifted at-large shares.

How much is the at-large dividend and when will they be mailed?

Because the amount of 7(i) monies distributed in any given year depends on each corporation's resource revenue activities for that year, it is not possible to predict 7(i) or 7(j) amounts. The amount is usually announced in February of each year and mailed out shortly thereafter. Sometimes there is variation due to the time that BSNC receives these payments from the other regional corporations.

Are at-large dividends taxable?

Yes. BSNC at-large shareholders will receive a 1099-MISC form for this distribution. The distribution must be reported as income on personal income tax returns.

BSF WELCOMES THREE NEW DIRECTORS

The Bering Straits Foundation (BSF) welcomes Jed Ballard, Kevin Dillard, and Luisa Machuca to its Board of Directors. Ballard, Dillard and Machuca joined the BSF board on March 18. BSF and BSNC thanks outgoing directors Tabetha Toloff, Clara Langton, and Kirsten Timbers for their committed service to the Foundation.

BSNC shareholder Jed Ballard is the Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer at Northrim Bank. BSNC shareholder Kevin Dillard is an Internal Auditor at Alyeska Pipeline Services Company. BSNC shareholder Luisa Machuca is the Vice President of Education, Employment, and Supportive Services Division at Kawerak, Inc.

"The financial resources of BSF provides incredible opportunities to BSNC shareholders and descendants," said Ballard. "I am eager to become a BSF board member and call on my experiences to assist BSF in serving the next generation of Alaska Native leaders through scholarships, education, training, and other future opportunities."

"I enjoy working with students in pursuit of advancing their education and training to better prepare for the career of their choice," said Machuca.

Your support helps positively impact the lives of BSF recipients such as Christian Leckband, a BSF recipient who participated in the BSNC Summer Internship Program and now works as a Jr. Proposals Manager at BSNC: "The Bering Straits Foundation has benefitted me positively in many ways. Its assistance over the years was instrumental to my success throughout college and because of this support I was able to come out with a degree in Business Management and Marketing. Knowing that I had the support of the Bering Straits Foundation kept me focused and motivated to stay on track, keep moving forward, and fulfill my goals. I was able to begin working at Bering Straits Native Corporation and I am filled with pride to be able to serve the company and foundation that has done so much for not only myself but hundreds of scholarship recipients over the years."

With the very generous support of individuals and community organizations, BSF is able to help BSNC shareholders and descendants who seek to further their educational and vocational goals. Your investment is more than a commitment to BSF – it is an affirmation of your connection to and support of BSNC's current and future generations of students who are making positive strides in their lives and impact in our communities!

To make a tax-deductible donation via check, please it make payable to the Bering Straits Foundation and mail it to BSF/Attn: Donations, P.O. Box 1008, Nome, AK 99762. To donate via credit card, email foundation@beringstraits.com or call (907) 521-7207, or go to www.beringstraits.com/foundation/donate/. Thank you for your support.

SHAREHOLDER DOCTOR LEADS ACCREDITATION OF SLEEP CLINIC

Under the leadership of BSNC shareholder Dr. Christina Darby, the Alaska Native Medical Center's new Sleep Center was accredited by the American Academy of Sleep Medicine (AASM). Dr. Darby, who serves as Medical Director of the Sleep Center, is also a full-time sleep medicine physician. Dr. Darby is a ATHENA Society inductee and in 2013 she was honored with a "Native American 40 under 40" award from the National Center for American Indian Enterprise Development. Dr. Darby is the daughter of BSNC Director Ella Anagick.



Dr. Christina Darby

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BSNC NEWS

BSNC INCREASES BEREAVEMENT BENEFIT

The BSNC Board of Directors has voted to increase bereavement benefits from \$1,500 to \$2,500. Bereavement assistance helps defray the cost of funeral expenses for an original BSNC shareholder, a lineal descendent of an original BSNC shareholder, or the spouse of a living original BSNC shareholder.

"We recognize that families have many burdens when a loved one dies," said BSNC Board Chairman Henry Ivanoff. "We are hopeful that the assistance BSNC provides helps alleviate some of the financial burdens."

The new bereavement payment is effective for applications received on or after Jan. 23, 2019 for those individuals covered by the bereavement policy. The deadline for filing for bereavement assistance is within three months of the date of death. Bereavement assistance may be applied for by a surviving family member either in the Nome or Anchorage office.

A note about Stock Wills: Some people find it easy to think about wills, while others prefer to avoid the subject entirely. 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. To encourage shareholders to complete their Stock Wills, BSNC continues to hold monthly drawings for those shareholders who submit a Stock Will, with a prize of \$200. Visit beringstraits.com/shareholders/forms/ or call (907) 443-5252 to update your stock will today.

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