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BSNC ANNOUNCES 2019 ANNUAL MEETING RESULTS

BSNC held its 2019 Annual Meeting of Shareholders on Saturday, Oct. 5 in Nome, Alaska. Shareholders voted on the election of five board directors. Incumbents Gail R. Schubert, Charles (Chuck) Fagerstrom, Louis (Louie) Green Jr. and Eugene F. Asicksik were reelected and Cynthia (Cindy) Towarak Massie was newly elected to the Board. Directors serve three-year terms.

"Congratulations to BSNC's incumbent candidates, and a warm welcome to our newly-elected Director, Cindy Towarak Massie," said Chairman of the Board Henry Ivanoff. "Cindy has already demonstrated exceptional leadership and values through action as a long-standing and generous philanthropic supporter of the Bering Straits Foundation and many other Alaskan nonprofit entities. Cindy was elected to fill a vacant seat previously held by the late Tim Towarak, her brother, who had served as a Director since 1989, and as President and CEO from 2000-2009. I look forward to the valuable insight and leadership Cindy will provide as BSNC continues to work to 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. I thank BSNC's shareholders for their continued support and involvement in their Corporation."

BSNC LAUNCHES SHAREHOLDER PORTAL

Have you signed up for MyBSNC?

The new MyBSNC shareholder portal gives you quick access to your shareholder information and helps



reduce BSNC's carbon footprint. Through MyBSNC, shareholders can now receive their dividends via direct deposit!

"I am very pleased that BSNC now offers this useful digital tool to its shareholders," said BSNC Vice President of Administration and Shareholder Relations Peggy Hoogendorn. "The portal provides secure and convenient information to shareholders while helping reduce BSNC's carbon footprint by offering shareholders the option to sign up for and receive dividends via direct deposit."

- Update Address and Contact Preferences
- View Dividends and Distributions
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- Shareholder Verification



Visit https://shareholder.bsnc.net/ to register today! If the information you entered during registration matches the information in BSNC's shareholder database, your registration will be approved and you will receive an email verification during normal business hours. After your registration is verified, you may log back into the MyBSNC portal to sign up for direct deposit for any future dividend distributions.

BSNC AND BSF ANNOUNCE AWARDEE OF TIM TOWARAK MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

BSNC is pleased to announce Charlene Aqpik Apok as the 2019 awardee of the Bering Straits Foundation's (BSF) newly-created Tim Towarak Memorial Scholarship. The Tim Towarak Memorial Scholarship is a new \$10,000 merit-based competitive scholarship



awarded by BSF annually to one high-performing student enrolled in an accredited college or university. The scholarship honors the late Tim Towarak, who worked tirelessly to advocate for Alaska Native people.

"This scholarship honors the many contributions of the late Tim Towarak to our company and Region," said BSNC President & CEO Gail R. Schubert. "He worked tirelessly to protect Native peoples' subsistence rights. Charlene's commitment to advancing and serving indigenous peoples is apparent to me through her academic achievements, devotion to gaining knowledge as a PhD in Indigenous Studies candidate, and through her work in health-related clinical research benefitting Alaska Native people."

"BSF is very proud to present the inaugural Tim Towarak Memorial Scholarship to Charlene Apok and thankful to BSNC for establishing the scholarship," said BSF Board Chair Jed Ballard. "We are looking forward to celebrating all the great accomplishments Charlene will make for our culture and region."

"I would like to express my deep gratitude to the board of BSF and BSNC for the support," said Charlene Apok. "There was a time where I felt disconnected between being in higher education and serving our community. I thought I would quit school. Then without saying these things, an Elder knew. They said to me, "Charlene, do you know I was sent to boarding school?" I nodded. "And when that happened, I forgot our language and I can't sew fancy mukluks. But you know what? I was able to get an education, come back, and teach our people. And I relearned our language." That story was their way of telling me my path was valid and that I could serve our people in this way - through education and research. From that point on I have not doubted my path using academia while still being a culture bearer, bridging the two. I encourage our people to think about the many ways we can serve our communities through the skill-sets we are given."

Apok earned a bachelor's degree with honors in American Ethnic Studies with a minor in Gender, Women and Sexuality Studies from the University of Washington, a master's degree in Alaska Native Studies and Rural Development with an emphasis on Circumpolar Health from the University of Alaska Fairbanks. She is currently a PhD candidate at the University of Alaska Fairbanks.

Candidates for the Tim Towarak Memorial Scholarship are professional career-track shareholder or descendant students with a passion for advocating for, or serving, Alaska Native people. Students do not apply separately for the scholarship. Preference for the scholarship award will be given to students who are Alaska residents.

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A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT & CEO



Winter is a great time of the year. Our traditions, which include ice fishing, celebrating holidays and spending precious time with family, make the season special and memorable. As we approach a new decade, we have much to be thankful for. We are especially thankful for our Elders and shareholders who provided strong support to the Board and management as we worked to grow BSNC and our subsidiary operations.

BSNC held its 2019 Annual Meeting of Shareholders in Nome on October 5. On behalf of BSNC, I am pleased

to welcome Cindy Towarak Massie to the BSNC Board of Directors. Cindy has demonstrated exceptional devotion to the advancement of BSNC's shareholders and descendants through her and her husband's philanthropic support of the Bering Straits Foundation. Cindy's business experience and perspective will provide a valuable perspective to BSNC and the Board of Directors.

BSNC has already funded the BSNC Beringia Settlement Trust in the amount of \$37,781,857, and issued a record-high dividend distribution via direct deposit and check on November 25, two weeks earlier than the 2018 dividend distribution. The dividend was declared by the BSNC Board of Directors in August and is paid through the BSNC Beringia Settlement Trust. Because the dividend was paid through the Settlement Trust, it is tax-free to all shareholders. In addition, an Elder dividend distribution of \$1,500 was sent to all original BSNC shareholders who were 65 years of age or older on November 4, 2019, the date of record.

Many shareholders commented on social media that they received their dividends sooner than expected. This was because BSNC now offers direct deposit through the new MyBSNC Shareholder Portal. There are many benefits to signing up for direct deposit, including earlier receipt of dividend payments and other distributions from the Settlement Trust. MyBSNC also gives shareholders quick access to their shareholder information, the ability to conveniently update address and contact preferences, and view dividends and distributions made by BSNC. I

encourage all shareholders to sign up for MyBSNC through the BSNC website.

There were many inquiries at the Annual Meeting about the Alaska Native Veterans Allotment Act. If you or your family member(s) served in Vietnam between August 5, 1964 and December 31, 1971, please contact Kawerak Land Management Services so that Kawerak can assist qualified veterans or their surviving family members in applying for a Native Allotment. BSNC thanks and honors our Nation's military veterans for their service.

Subsistence remains critical to our Shareholders' survival and cultural identity. We all know that Alaska Native people have a special connection to the land. With that in mind, we have been tracking the efforts of IPOP, LLC, a mining company that has announced plans to explore for gold in the Safety Sound, Bonanza Channel and Golovin Lagoon. They hope to produce a TV show based upon their exploration and development efforts. We stand ready to assist our villages which would be impacted by this ill-conceived project by working with our Congressional Delegation and other regional entities to oppose this effort.

I have been privileged to participate with AFN and other entities in a series of presentations about the Arctic through the Alaska Command Arctic Symposium. It is clear that the Arctic has been recognized as a critical and strategic location as climate change opens the region to increased marine and aviation traffic. I continue to advocate for an Arctic policy that supports strengthening national security and defense in the BSNC region, while ensuring that our way of life is not dramatically and adversely impacted.

BSNC is blessed to be able to provide enhanced benefits to our shareholders and descendants, and fulfill our mission to improve the quality of life of Our People through economic development while protecting our land and preserving our culture and heritage. I thank you for your continued support. I hope everyone enjoys the winter season safely. Quyaana.

Gail R. Schubert BSNC President & CEO

BSNC BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Henry Ivanoff Sr. *Chairman*

Deborah Atuk Treasurer

Becka Baker

Director

Louie Green Jr. *Director*

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Assistant Secretary

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Director

Gail R. Schubert President & CEO

Steve Ivanoff
Assistant Treasurer

Robert (Bobby) Evans Director

Cindy Towarak Massie

Director

Roy Ashenfelter Secretary

Ella Anagick
Director

Charles W. Fagerstrom *Director*

HISTORICAL SPOTLIGHT:

The Ancient Art of Traditional Tattooing

In the past decade, Inuit women revitalized the ancient art of traditional tattooing. The practice dates back at least 10,000 years and involves skin stitching or hand-poke/stick-and-poke. Ethnographically, tattooing was practiced by all Inuit but was most common among women and would commemorate an achievement or reaching a certain milestone in life. During the influx of Western civilization in the 19th and 20th centuries, many Inuit were prohibited from practicing the ritual. In 1926, the University of Alaska archaeologist Otto W. Geist (1927-34: n.p.) noted:

"The pigment is made from the soot of seal oil lamps which is taken from the bottom of tea kettles or similar containers used to boil meat and other food over an open flame," said Geist. "The soot is mixed with urine, often that of an old woman, and is applied with



Yaari Toolie-Walker (St. Lawrence Island Yupik)

SHAREHOLDER ADDRESSES NEEDED

ADOLPH, MELISSA ADSUNA, JORDAN J. AGIBINIK, STEVEN GILBERT AHKINGA, GEORGE AHKVALUK, ISAAC ALMON, ANDREW R. ALURAC, MARY ANN AMAKTOOLIK, SOPHIE E. AMRAM, AMRAM ANALOAK, PATRICK ANARUK, BENJAMIN B. ANARUK, DEREK PETER ANASOGAK, LYNN MARIE ANDERSON, JOHN FLOYD ANDERSON, JONI ANDERSON, THERESA KAY ANDREWS, ED ROY ANDREWS, NANCY ARCA, PENELOPE LOUISE ARNOLD, CRISTA LYNN ASHCRAFT, CHARLES EDWARD ASHENFELTER, DENISE AUKON, MICHELLE MAMIE BAILEY, AUDREY BAILEY, JOHN DANIEL JAMES BARNES, DAEVIN BASHAM, DEBRA BELL, ROBERT DARRELL BENTLEY, ENGENIA TERESA BERGAMASCHI, SHANE E BOUDREAU, BRENDA L. BRANDON, STELLA N BROWN, MABEL BROWN, ROY EDWARD BEN BUCK, MARY CAMPBELL, STEFANEY CARLISLE, MELISSA CARLO, ELIZABETH

CAROON, KRISTIE EMMA CARR, SHERRILL JEANNE CHISKOK, DAISY CHISKOK, EVAN ANTHONY COFFIELD, JEREMIAH CROSS, JOSEPH LEOPOLD DAVID. RANDALL EUGENE DAVIS, ALAN T. DAVIS, LEE ALAN DAVIS, MICHAEL E. DENMARK, ANTONIA MARIE DESARRO, TONY JOHN DEWBERRY, BRIAN ANDREW DICKSON, CHRISTOPHER ROBERT DICKSON, HAYLEY SUMMER DIDIO, MARTHA ESTHER DIXON, SCOTT DOBSON, DEGEE A EDWARDS, NANCY EGELAND, THOMAS ROY ELACHIK, JONATHAN EPPERLEY, CAROL ANN FRNAK, FREDERICK FARI ERVIN, LEANN ESKELDSON, STEVEN DAVID EVAN, NORMA ANDREA EVANS, CARLA JUNE FINLEY, ERIC KALANI FITKA, CLIFFORD CHARLES FOSTER, ROBERT GEORGE FRY, ANTHONY LANE GANDIA. ANTHONY R. GARRIS, KEVIN RAY GEORGE, YVONNE R. GIFFIN, LAURA ANN GOLD, LOIS A. GONANGNAN, MYLES

CARLSON, WANDA JACQUELINE GOODHOPE, LEONA R. GRANT, JEFFERY EUGENE GRAY LESLIE RENE GREEN, GERALD ANTHONY GREEN, JOHN GREEN, KHAILA GREEN. MELONY L. GREEN, TERRELL GREENE, WILMA JEAN GUILEY, JACQUALYN HALE, HELEN MAGDELENE A HANCOCK, LYDIA ANN HANSEN, STEVEN LEE HAUGAN, SHAWNTE' TONI HELTON, MARIE ESTHER HELTON, SETH ANTHONY HENRY PATRICKS HIPPS, JOSHUA TRAVIS HIRATSUKA, VINCE HOFFMAN, MAXINE O HOPKINS, LOIS HORLACHER, CARRIE ELLEN HUFFER, BRENT WILLIAM HUFFMAN, THOMAS LEE HUMPHREYS, FRANKLIN W. IMMINGAN, PAULINE S IONE, KEVIN RANDELL IVANOFF, ALVIN SERGE IVANOFF, ARTHUR CONRAD IVANOFF, MELISSA DAWN IYAHUK, MARY LOU IYAPANA, CURTIS JAMES IYAPANA, WILLIAM OMYRUK JACK, HAZEL NANCY JACKSON, JOHN W JAMES, THOMAS B. JAMES, TIMOTHY DAVID JOHNSON, CHAD WILLIAM

JOHNSON, FRANK REUBEN JOHNSON, JULIA C JOHNSON, MELANIE NOELLE **PEARL** JOHNSON, THURE JOHNSON, WILLIAM JASON JOSEPH, VIOLA VERA KARMUN, GLEN DAVIS KARMUN, SHIRLEY KAY KATCHEAK, ALGEN PATRICK KATEXAC, ROMALD K KAUKE, KALENA META KEECH, JACK SPOTTED CROW KENICK, ROBERT KERR. DONALD LEE KILLARZOAC, JOHN KINNEY, JENNIFER KIRK, FRANCIS KIYUTELLUK, RUTH JANET KIYUTELLUK, WARREN A. KOMAKHUK, KENNETH HAROLD MCMAHAN, ROBERT LEIGH KOMONASEAK, CHRISTINE TOOGOHT KOTONGAN, GERALDINE RENEE MILLER, MARIE ANN KOWCHEE, CLARK KOWELUK, HARVY GEORGE KOYUK. HEATHER THERESA KOYUK-PUGH, CECILIA ROSE KOZEVNIKOFF, WILFRED J. KRATSAS, KIMBERLY LORETTA KUNAYAK, ROGER KUNNEMANN. PETULA ANN KUNNUK. DAGAN THOMAS KUNNUK, THERESA LANE, DOUGLAS LANE, VERNON LARSEN, CODY JAMES LARSEN, DARRELL MICHAEL LARSEN, ELIZABETH JANE

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ROBERTS, JONATHAN ROBERTS, KELLY DAWN ROBERTS, MAKENZIE ANNE ROBERTSON, ZANDRA ROBINSON, NICOLE JEAN SAAD, JOSEPH M. E. SACLAMANA, MICHAEL BRUNO SALLAFFIE. BUFORD M SAMBO-FREEMAN, NATANE SANCHEZ, ANNOKAZOOKA LAZYNA SCHAMBECK, IDA SCHAMBECK, ROBERTA LEE SCHOLTEN, BRENNA A. SCHOLTEN, DANIEL SCOTT, LEROY C. SEEGANNA, LOUISE MARIE SETON, ALBERTA E. SETON, NORMAN LEO SETTERS, DOUG SHELDON, ELGEN R. SILAS, LEVI ALFRED SILOOK, RUSSELL SMALL, MICHAEL EDGAR SMITH, LENA DOROTHY SMITH, WILLIAM LAURENCE SOLLICH, STEVEN SOUTHALL, SHAWN JAMES SPENCER, RANDALL JOSEPH STETTINGER, JACQULYN MARIE YOU<mark>NG, M</mark>AR<mark>Y JIL</mark>L TAKAK, VALERIE TATE, EDWARD PATRICK TEAYOUMEAK, SAM B THORNTON, SHIRLEY ANN TOCKTOO, STEWART TOKEINNA, REBECCA E TOKEINNA, STACEY D M TOPKOK, ALFRED TWEET, TERENCE OLIVER

VAN VALKENBURGH, BEVERLY ANN VANN, CHARLES VELTRANO, ERIC CHRISTIAN WALLACE, GARY RUSSELL WALLACE, MARGARET WALLUK, MARY E WALLUK, WILLIAM LEE WALSER, JAMES MELVIN WALUNGA, FRANK T WASHINGTON, MARTHA MARIE WASHINGTON, PRESTON WEDIN, REBECCA MAE WEINSTEIN, ANDREA CHRISTINE WESTLAKE, OUINTIN WESTON, MILLER Z WEYIOUANNA, TROY ELMER WHITE, ALBERT K WHITE, PERCY M. WHITE, WILLIAM G WIDEMAN, GEORGE H WILKALKIA, GABRIEL WILLOCK, ROY N WILLOYA, LEA LOVE WILSON, CLAUDE WILSON, WYNONA E WOHNOUTKA, THERESA WRIGHT, LUCY LOUISE YAZZIE, RAY CURTIS YOUNG, PAUL T. ZAHIR, MOLLY JANE

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

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:		email us at
New mailing address:		
City:	State: ZIP:	For name changes, BSNC legal document with your
Social security number:	Date of birth:	of a court record, valid gor certificate or divorce decre
Contact phone number:		New name:
Email address:		Former name:
(If applicable)		Social security number:
I am also a custodian for:		Date of birth:
		Signature:
Signature:		Date:

MAIL COMPLETED FORM TO: 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 shareholders@beringstraits.com.

For name changes, BSNC requires that you attach a
legal document with your new name, such as a copy
of a court record, valid government ID, marriage
certificate or divorce decree.
New name:
Former name:
Social security number:
Date of birth:
Signature:
Date:

having attained the age of eighteen (18) years and being of sound mind, and solely

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

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

Bering Straits Native Corporation andvillage corporation to: Name of village			
ame	Current Address	% of Shares	

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

Dated at	County of:(orJudicial District
thisday of, 20 City State	Subscribed, sworn to and acknowledged before me by
Signature of Testator	
I, being first sworn, declare that the testator signs and executes this instrument as	the testator, this day of, 20
his/her last will and that he/she signs it willingly, and I sign this will as witness of	Notary Public or Postmaster
the testator's signing, and that to the best of my knowledge the testator is 18 years	In and for the State of
or older, of sound mind, and under no constraint or undue influence.	

SHAREHOLDER NEWS



BSNC ACCEPTING INTERNSHIP APPLICATIONS JAN. 1

Gain life-changing career experience

BSNC is helping prepare tomorrow's leaders for the workforce by providing paid internships and professional development training each summer to qualified shareholder or descendant students enrolled in college or technical school. Shareholders and descendants can gain valuable work experience and skills by working with staff in their professional area of interest in Nome and Anchorage.

BSNC will hire 6-8 interns for its 2020 Summer Internship Program. Internship positions are full-time (40 hours per week) and the internship period is from May 18 to Aug. 7. Applicants must be a shareholder or shareholder descendant enrolled full-time in college or technical school who plan to attend school in the fall. The minimum GPA requirement is 2.5.

Internship timeline:

- Recruitment period: Jan. 1 March 27, 2020
- Application deadline: March 27, 2020
- Interviews: April 6 April 10, 2020
- Notification to candidates: April 20, 2020
- Orientation: May 18, 2020
- Internship period: May 18 Aug. 7, 2020
- Exit interviews: Aug. 3 Aug. 7, 2020

Training and workshops include:

- Leadership skills
- Public speaking
- The Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act
- Policy issues that impact Alaska Native people
- Cultural awareness
- Speed mentoring
- Career guidance and advice
- Business structure
- Arctic matters

Attendance at the trainings and workshops is mandatory. Interns are expected to secure their own housing. For questions, please email BSNC Shareholder Development Director Lucille Sands at Isands@beringstraits.com.

SHAREHOLDER ADDRESSES UN



BSNC shareholder Dr. Dalee Sambo Dorough recently addressed the United Nations in Italy about Arctic food security. Dr. Dorough serves as Chair of the Inuit Circumpolar Council.

"For Inuit it is not only fishing," said Dalee Sambo Dorough, Ph.D., a former political science professor at UAA. "One of my main efforts was to broaden the discussion about food security, and the dialogue within the Food and Agriculture Organization about Arctic indigenous food security, and the importance of hunting as well as fishing and other harvesting activities."

Dr. Dorough earned her Ph.D. from the University of British Columbia, Faculty of Law (2002), and a Master of Arts in Law and Diplomacy from The Fletcher School at Tufts University (1991).

BSNC SHAREHOLDERS DELIVER 2019 ELDERS AND YOUTH CONFERENCE KEYNOTE



Oliver Tusagvik Hoogendorn, Gail R. Schubert and Wilson Mungnak Hoogendorn at the 2019 AFN Conference in Fairbanks.

BSNC shareholders Oliver (Tusagvik) Hoogendorn and Wilson (Mungnak) Hoogendorn delivered the keynote speech at the 2019 Elders and Youth Conference in Fairbanks, Alaska. Oliver and Wilson are brothers from Nome. In May, they were the first to summit Denali in the 2019 climbing season, the tallest mountain in North America at 20,310 feet.

"I now know I can do whatever I want," said Wilson. "I won't let anything stop me. Seems simple, but once you realize it, it really helps you. Climbing Denali really solidified this for me."

"My favorite part about being Iñupiaq is the land, plants and animals that live on that land," said Oliver. "You can't beat going for a long run on the tundra. I remember seeing a herd of caribou and eating blueberries. That's what I think about when I think of my culture."

Oliver and Wilson are the grandsons of BSNC Board Director Homer Hoogendorn. Their parents are Brenna Outwater and Willy Hoogendorn.

BSNC NEWS

AIH FEATURED IN ALASKA CONTRACTOR MAGAZINE



Pictured is AIH President Terry Shurtleff (right) with AIH employee James Sparks, a BSNC shareholder (left).

BSNC subsidiary Alaska Industrial Hardware (AIH) is featured in the October issue of Alaska Contractor magazine. The article provides an overview of AIH and outlines how AIH has successfully weathered Alaska's recession.

BSNC acquired Alaska Industrial Hardware (AIH), the leading statewide provider of construction equipment, in 2015. AIH has locations throughout Alaska and supplies high quality equipment, tools, industrial materials, maintenance supplies and safety products to a wide variety of Alaskan businesses and customers, including government, commercial, and oil and gas development and production customers.

AIH gives hiring, promotion, training and retention preference to BSNC shareholders, shareholder descendants and shareholder spouses who meet the minimum qualifications for the job. Qualified job candidates will generally be considered in the following order: BSNC shareholders, BSNC shareholder descendants, shareholder spouses, current employees and outside candidates.

AIH offers BSNC shareholders the highest discount given by AIH to any Alaska Native corporation. The discount is not a flat rate discount but varies depending on the item(s) purchased. BSNC's Nome headquarters and Anchorage office are open during regular business hours for shareholders who wish to walk in to receive a shareholder ID card. Proof of identity must be presented. Shareholders not residing in Nome or Anchorage who wish to receive a shareholder ID card are asked to email shareholders@beringstraits.com or call (907) 443-5252.

ANNABELLE RYAN PROMOTED TO LEAD BENEFITS ADMINISTRATOR

BSNC is pleased to announce that shareholder
Annabelle Ryan has been promoted to Lead
Benefits Administrator. Ryan helps manage and
administer employee benefit programs 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, she was recruited to the Human
Resources Department. Ryan is the daughter of
the late Fred Ryan Jr. and Karen Bradley of Unalakleet.



Annabelle Ryan

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.

Learn more about exciting job opportunities at **beringstraits.com/careers.**

DANIELLE ANAGICK PROMOTED TO ACCOUNTS PAYABLE SPECIALIST II

BSNC is pleased to announce that shareholder Danielle Anagick has been promoted from Accounts Payable Specialist I to Accounts Payable Specialist II. In her position, Anagick prepares, processes and administers invoices for multiple subsidiaries, and provides supervision and oversight for Accounts Payable I positions. She began working for BSNC in the Accounting Department in 2016. She is the daughter of Colleen and Edgar Anagick.



Danielle Anagick

BSNC ASSUMES ADMINISTRATION OF THE BERING STRAITS FOUNDATION

Shareholder development staff providing program support

BSNC and the Bering Straits Foundation have signed an administrative services agreement. Under this agreement, BSNC will provide overall scholarship program administration and support.

"BSNC is pleased to help expand the potential impact, strength and outreach of the the Bering Straits Foundation by providing administrative support," said BSNC President & CEO Gail R. Schubert. "BSNC values the Foundation's mission and its sustainability. We support the administrative services agreement and look forward to helping the Foundation fulfill its mission."

"The Bering Straits Foundation is very thankful for the continued support BSNC has provided to the Foundation," said Bering Straits Foundation President Jed Ballard. "Along with doubling its annual contribution to \$500,000 this year, providing the administrative services of the Foundation results in more scholarships being available for our shareholders and descendants."

Visit www.beringstraits.com/BSF to learn more about the Foundation's scholarships or to make a tax-deductible donation. Please direct any questions to foundation@beringstraits.com.

BSNC REGION NEWS

BSNC RECOGNIZES 2019 YOUNG PROVIDERS

At the 2019 Annual Meeting of Shareholders in Nome, AK, BSNC recognized the awardees of its 2019 Young Providers Award as Adelaine "Addy" Ahmasuk of Nome honoring Lela Kiana Oman, and Trevor Savetilik of Shaktoolik honoring Jacob Ahwinona. 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.

Adelaine "Addy" Ahmasuk is an advocate for indigenous people and stays active subsisting year-round. Addy currently works as a commercial fisherwoman. She earned a Bachelor's degree in Biology and plans to pursue further education. Addy formed an Inupiaq speaking club for young people and Elders to practice and learn Inupiaq. She has helped host a Norton Sound Indigenous Women and Girls' gathering in conjunction with the Alaska Community Action on Toxics. Addy is passionate about her heritage, the history of Native peoples, Native languages, subsistence, Native rights,



Adelaine "Addy" Ahmasuk

lands, clean water and indigenous plants and healing. Addy's parents are Austin Ahmasuk and Marisha Skinna.

Addy was recognized in honor of the late Lela Kiana Oman (Ahyakee). Lela was born in 1915 in Noorvik, Alaska. She moved to Nome as a young girl and resided there for the remainder of her life. She devoted her life to preserving traditional Inupiaq stories and passing on Inupiaq traditions. She has published a number of books of Native stories, including: Eskimo Legends (1966, Nome Press) and the Epic of Qayaq: The Longest Story Ever Told By My People (1995, Carleton University Press). Lela stayed busy sewing fur, fostering children and was active in the Nome Covenant Church. She represented Nome in the

Mrs. Alaska pageant where she was selected by fellow participants as Mrs. Congeniality. Last year, Lela passed away peacefully surrounded by loving family members. At the time of her passing, Lela was BSNC's oldest shareholder at 102 and a half years of age.

Trevor Savetilik is a young, self-motivated community member from the village of Shaktoolik. Trevor began hunting at the age of five with his dad, uncles and cousins and started commercial fishing for salmon and crab at the age of 10. From the start, Trevor always had a giving nature. When he is blessed with a catch, he thinks of the Elders and those who are unable to get out in the country. Trevor also knows the importance of remaining active and being a good role model through leadership and good sportsmanship as captain of his basketball team. Trevor's



Trevor Savetilik

parents are Randy and Melinda Takak and April Savetilik.

Trevor was recognized in honor of the late Jacob Ahwinona of White Mountain. Throughout his lifetime, Jacob was an articulate culture bearer, sharing knowledge passed from generation to generation, and a model of living one's life in accordance with traditional Inupiaq values. Jacob moved to Nome to work on gold dredges for the U.S. Mining Company and was a maintenance mechanic and equipment operator for Nome Public Schools. After his retirement, Mr. Ahwinona remained active in the community. He served on the boards of Sitnasuak Native Corporation and Kawerak and was recognized by Sitnasuak as Elder of the Year in 2011. In 2003, the former Nome Receiving Home was named "Jacob's House" in recognition of his volunteer efforts to improve the lives of children and families in the Bering Strait region. Jacob lived in Nome for more than 60 years and was married to the late Hannah (Anagick) Ahwinona from Unalakleet.

BSNC HONORS ELDERS AT ANNUAL MEETING

BSNC honored each of the Elders selected by their respective village corporations at the 2019 Annual Meeting of Shareholders. Each Elder was presented an ulu plaque and \$500.

"In appreciation for all your accomplishments in maintaining our traditional lifestyle and the determination to share your valuable knowledge with our youth in preserving our culture and heritage of the Bering Straits Region."

BREVIG MISSION NATIVE CORPORATION: Rita Olanna

COUNCIL NATIVE CORPORATION: Gladys Williamson (In Memoriam)

INALIK NATIVE CORPORATION: Mary Menadelook

MARY'S IGLOO NATIVE CORPORATION: Sarah Kakaruk

SHAKTOOLIK NATIVE CORPORATION: Fred N. Sagoonick

SHISHMAREF NATIVE CORPORATION: Willa T. Seetomona

SITNASUAK NATIVE CORPORATION: Robert (Bobby) Bahnke, Sr.

UNALAKLEET NATIVE CORPORATION: Linda Towarak
WALES NATIVE CORPORATION: Daniel K. Omedelena
WHITE MOUNTAIN NATIVE CORPORATION: Rita Buck

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HISTORICAL SPOTLIGHT: THE ANCIENT ART OF TRADITIONAL TATTOOING

steel needles. One method is to draw a string of sinew or other thread through the eye of the needle. The thread is then soaked thoroughly in the liquid pigment and drawn through the skin as the needle is inserted and pushed just under the skin for a distance of about a thirty-second of an inch when the point is again pierced through the skin. A small space is left without tattooing before the process is again repeated. The other method is to prick the skin with the needle, which is dipped in the pigment each time."

Yaari Toolie-Walker of Savoonga was one of the first Alaska Native women to revive the tradition in recent history by receiving her traditional chin tattoo more than 10 years ago. She has inspired many women to continue the tradition. BSNC descendant Marjorie Tahbone has also received her chin tattoo and is helping to revitalize the tradition by becoming a traditional tattoo artist.

"We need to bring back our culture and our celebrations and our festivals, ways that we were able to cope with mourning, with death or being able to acknowledge a boy becoming a man and a girl becoming a woman - those ceremonies are important to a healthy society and those were taken from us," said Tahbone. "And so my motivation is to make sure that they come back in a healthy, strong way and people feel that they're theirs."

Geist, O.W. 1927-34. Field Notes. On File, Alaska and Polar Regions Archives, University of Alaska, Fairbanks.

BSNC NEWS

EAGLE EYE RECOGNIZED IN CIVIL + ENGINEERING MAGAZINE

BSNC subsidiary Eagle Eye Electric, LLC was featured in the Civil + Engineering Magazine for its work in repairing the Military Ocean Terminal Sunny Point railway damaged by Hurricane Florence last September. This terminal is one of the largest military terminals in the world and serves as a transfer point between rail, trucks and ships for the import and export of military equipment for the United States Army. The repair was a massive effort that necessitated specialized equipment and operators brought in from all regions of the country. Eagle Eye employees worked seven days a week to repair the line in just under two months' time.

BSNC DESCENDANT SELECTED FOR ICC LEADERS INITIATIVE

BSNC descendant Cameron Okbaok was selected for the Inuit Circumpolar Council's Emerging Alaskan Inuit Leaders Initiative. At the 13th Inuit Circumpolar Council (ICC) General Assembly, the Utqiagvik Declaration laid the foundation and roadmap for the next four years. One of the many initiatives contained in the Utqiaqvik Declaration is engaging Inuit youth as future emerging leaders. In Alaska, six Alaskan Inuit were selected out of 54 applicants for the Emerging Alaskan Inuit Leaders Initiative. Each emerging leader will be mentored by senior leadership, and have been assigned to assist in accomplishing the Utqiaqvik Declaration's 10 sections and 58 clauses.



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Cameron "Umiaq-si" is from Teller, Alaska. His parents are Jerry Okbaok and Freida Oquilluk. He studied Mechanical Engineering at the University of Alaska Anchorage. Okbaok is employed as a Community Education Coordinator and substitute teacher at the James C. Isabell School in Teller. Okbaok is perpetuating Inuit traditions through cultural curriculum activities such as dancing, singing, carving and hunting. In his free time, Okbaok works on qayaqs.

MONTHLY STOCK WILL DRAWING WINNERS

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Land Allotment Section of Public Law 116-9

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TOM AND CINDY MASSIE DONATE \$20,000 TO BSF



BSNC thanks shareholder and Board Member 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 2019 Bering Strait Region AFN Student Appreciation Reception in Fairbanks.

BSNC HIRES SHAREHOLDER DEVELOPMENT SPECIALIST

BSNC is pleased to announce the hire of descendant Elizabeth Sherman-Luce for the position of Shareholder Development Specialist. In this position, Sherman-Luce partners with the Bering Straits Foundation (BSF) to provide overall scholarship program administration in addition to other BSNC Shareholder Development Department initiatives. Sherman-Luce earned a bachelor's degree from the University of Alaska Anchorage in Early Childhood Education.



Elizabeth Sherman-Luce

DO YOU HAVE YOUR ALASKA REAL ID?

What is a Real ID?

It's an Alaska driver's license or state ID that meets the highest security standards required by federal law. Beginning Oct. 1, 2020, Alaska residents will need a Real ID, Passport, Military ID or other federally compliant ID to fly on commercial airlines, visit or work on a military base or other federal property.

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No. Your regular Alaska driver's license or state ID will still be valid for other identification purposes, except flying or visiting federal properties.

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MISSING SHAREHOLDERS CAMPAIGN Shareholders May Have Funds on Hold

BSNC has launched an effort to locate missing shareholders, who may have funds on hold, and identify the next of kin of deceased shareholders. Currently, a large amount of dividends are being held for BSNC shareholders because of outdated contact information. BSNC seeks to locate these shareholders to ensure they, or their descendants, receive their dividend distributions.

BSNC's mission is to improve the quality of life of Our People through economic development while protecting our land and preserving our culture and heritage. BSNC works to fulfill its mission by providing a variety of benefits to shareholders, including dividend distributions.

If you know the whereabouts of someone listed as a missing shareholder on page three, please contact BSNC at shareholders@beringstraits.com or call (907) 443-4303 or (907) 443-8110 to speak with the Shareholder Department. If you have been contacted by the Shareholder Department, please respond to their requests because you may be entitled to an accrued and unpaid dividend distribution.

Please help BSNC ensure that shareholders receive their dividends. **Quyaana!**