



## NSRH OPENS DOORS TO PATIENTS

BSNC subsidiary Inuit Services, Inc. constructed with Neeser Construction

Hospital patients were welcomed into the new Norton Sound Regional Hospital in Nome, Alaska on March 5. The Norton Sound Health Corp. contracted BSNC subsidiary Inuit Services, Inc. and Neeser Construction Inc. to jointly build the hospital, which offers an enhanced and larger state-of-the-art health care facility for the region.

“I am proud that BSNC, in a joint venture with Neeser Construction, is helping to deliver a critical need to Norton Sound region residents through the successful construction of this ultramodern hospital,” said BSNC President and CEO Gail Schubert. “This project aligns well with our mission of helping to improve the quality of life of our people.”

The project provided employment opportunities for BSNC shareholders and their families.

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Photo courtesy of NSRH

*Inuit Services and Neeser Construction were contracted by the Norton Sound Health Corp. to jointly build a new hospital for Nome and Norton Sound residents. The hospital offers a state-of-the-art health care facility for the region.*

## PORT CLARENCE IDENTIFIED AS POSSIBLE DEEP-WATER PORT

Port could serve as future gateway to Arctic Ocean



Port Clarence

Guard is also working on its own study on the feasibility of establishing an Arctic deep-water

Located near the 50-mile-wide Bering Strait between Russia and Alaska, Port Clarence is opportunely located for marine traffic traveling between the Arctic Ocean and Bering Sea. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers identified Port Clarence as a possible future location of an Arctic deep-water port that would help support possible future resource development in the Arctic and international shipping through the Northwest Passage. The U.S. Coast

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## NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS

Nome Mini-Convention Center  
405 River St  
Saturday, Oct 5, 2013 at 10 a.m.  
Nome, Alaska

Shareholders who are at least 18 years of age and wish to run for one of the five Board of Director's seats open for election are requested to send a letter of intent, including their current address and telephone number, and a resume to:

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

**IMPORTANT-** All letters of intent and resume must be postmarked by June 14, 2013.

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# A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

By Gail R. Schubert, BSNC President and CEO

Spring is finally here, but many of our communities have been experiencing much cooler temperatures than normal, including late spring snowfalls and snowstorms. This makes it seem like it is already autumn, although that has not stopped our hunters from heading out to harvest migratory birds, caribou, reindeer and sea mammals to replenish our subsistence food supplies. Many BSNC shareholders and descendants have posted on Facebook how happy they are to eat fresh geese, ducks, seal, muktuk and ugruk. I am proud to see our next generation of hunters, such as Gage Ivanoff and Corwen Paniptchuk, return from hunting with a bountiful harvest that they share with their families and village elders. Subsistence has been our way of life for thousands of years, and will continue as our younger generations are taught to harvest the food sources that have sustained us for generations.



Management continues to evaluate whether it is feasible to resume mining at Rock Creek. The mining operation could provide not only jobs for our shareholders and descendants, but also significant profits to BSNC, based upon the engineering and financial studies prepared to date by our expert mining consultants. Although a decision has not yet been made on the future of the mine, questions have recently been raised by some shareholders and others about the mining operation and BSNC's potential financial benefit from mining. While the mining plan is complex, there are a couple of important facts that I would like to highlight. First, our mining team is committed to using a gravity-based system, much like a sluice box operation, to recover gold from the crushed ore and placer, and we have no plans to use cyanide. Using the gravity system will result in a lower recovery rate for gold and the financial net profit projections reflect that. In addition, studies prepared by our consultants, while not a guarantee, indicate that the operation could be very profitable for BSNC, assuming that costs are controlled. As the summer progresses, we should have a better idea as to whether larger scale mining will once again provide jobs and other economic development opportunities to our region.

Management has also continued to work on the transfer of Port Clarence to BSNC under the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act. Port Clarence is a natural deep water port which is recognized to have strategic importance in the Arctic as offshore development moves ahead, and as marine traffic increases through the Bering Strait. We believe that Port Clarence will play a big role in BSNC's future growth and development. We have been in discussions with industry for more than a year concerning development concepts at Port Clarence, and are undertaking a study to evaluate the development opportunities that might be possible at the site. I am very excited about this opportunity for BSNC and believe that it will allow for sustained economic growth opportunities in the region for many years to come. At the same time, BSNC's priority is to assist our regional residents in efforts to ensure that our subsistence harvests are not impacted by the increased marine traffic through the Bering Strait.

This past winter, we were concerned about sequestration and the potential impact on our government contract work and revenues. Revenues from our government contract work still comprise more than 90 percent of BSNC's total revenues. While we have seen some impact on existing contracts, we have also brought in new work and have actually experienced an increase in our government contract revenues. We continue to work towards diversifying our revenue base to provide future financial stability for BSNC, and are excited about opportunities in our region such as mining and port development.

Management and the Board of BSNC wish everyone a safe and productive summer, and are hopeful that when it finally stops snowing and storming, the snow will quickly melt allowing for rapid growth of the plants and berries that we will eventually harvest for our subsistence needs.

## BSNC BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Henry Ivanoff, *Chairman*

Eugene Asicksik, *Vice Chairman*

Gail R. Schubert, *President & CEO*

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Homer E. Hoogendorn, *Director*

Steve Ivanoff, *Director*

Tim Towarak, *Director*

## HISTORICAL SPOTLIGHT



Photo courtesy of the  
Alaska Women's Hall of Fame

Alberta Schenck Adams

Alberta Schenck Adams was an Alaska Native woman from Nome who proved to be an early warrior for Alaska civil rights. One day in 1944 when she was 16 years old, she was fired from working as an usher in Nome's Dream Theatre after expressing her opposition to Jim Crow policies that forbade Alaska Native people and "Half-Breeds" from sitting in the "Whites Only" section.

Soon thereafter, she penned an essay about equality to The Nome Nugget. Shortly after the publication of her essay, she went on a date with a Caucasian Army Sergeant to the same theatre and took a seat next to him. The manager ordered her to move to the Alaska Native section of the theatre. After refusing, she was forcibly evicted and arrested.

After her arrest, she wrote a letter describing her experience to then-governor Ernest Gruening, who proceeded to push the Alaska Discrimination Act of 1945 through the Alaska Legislature a full 19 years before the Civil Rights Act of 1964 was enacted by the U.S. Congress. BSNC honors Alberta for her early fight for our civil rights!

# SHAREHOLDER NEWS

## HOW WILL THE AFFORDABLE CARE ACT AFFECT YOU?

### Shareholders exempt from coverage requirements

On Jan. 1, 2014, the Affordable Care Act will require that every U.S. citizen show proof of health care coverage, unless they are eligible for an exemption. Alaska Native and American Indian people are exempt from health insurance requirements if they can show proof that they are enrolled in a federally-recognized tribe, or a shareholder of an Alaska Native village or regional corporation.

Shareholder descendants have the option of purchasing insurance, enrolling in a federally recognized tribe or enrolling in a program such as Medicaid or Denali KidCare to avoid penalty fees for not having adequate health care coverage that will be assessed when they file their taxes. Learn more by visiting [www.tribalhealthcare.org](http://www.tribalhealthcare.org).

## IVANOFF INDUCTED INTO HALL OF FAME



Steve Ivanoff

BSNC Board Director Steve Ivanoff is among eight Alaskans who will be inducted into the Alaska High School Hall of Fame under the Lifetime Achievement category on August 4 for his storied career as a Unalakleet basketball coach and work advocating for the Alaska School Activities Association. The Alaska High School Hall of Fame honors individuals who exhibit high ethical standards and integrity while achieving excellence in high school athletics and activities, and others who have distinguished themselves by their exemplary contributions to the advancement of interscholastic athletics and activities in the State of Alaska. Congratulations, Steve!

## DESCENDANT HONORED

BSNC descendant Tuesona Tungwenuk of Nome received a Spirit of Youth Award in the 'Overcoming Challenges' category on April 6. The award recognizes teenage Alaskans who are an inspiration to others. Ms. Tungwenuk, who is the daughter of BSNC shareholder Bruce Tungwenuk, is a board member for Arctic Access, a nonprofit based in Kotzebue that advocates for disabled people living in rural Alaska, and she promotes disability awareness with radio listeners while volunteer disk-jockeying for KNOM 96.1 FM radio in Nome.

## BSNC SHAREHOLDER GRADUATES



Jeannie Yuman

BSNC shareholder Jeannie Yuman was one of 16 students honored by University of Alaska Fairbanks' Interior-Aleutians Campus at a completion ceremony for earning a university certificate in Rural Human Services on March 1.

"My classes in Rural Health Services taught me the importance of living by the example that I want my children to watch," said Ms. Yuman, who hopes her pursuit of higher education will inspire her four children, Duane, Trevor, Adexzo and Trinity. "They mimic our behaviors and reactions as well as watching the way we live. It's our resiliency that keeps our traditional spirit alive for the next generation."

## WIN \$1,000 BY UPDATING YOUR BSNC STOCK WILL

BSNC is pleased to announce a Stock Will Drive with a chance for shareholders to win \$1,000! The drawing will take place at the 2013 Annual Meeting of Shareholders. Shareholders must submit an updated stock will by 3 p.m., Oct. 4 to be entered in the drawing.

Shareholders are still eligible to win \$200 in the monthly Stock Will Drive, in which one winner is drawn monthly. BSNC Stock Wills can be obtained by visiting [www.beringstraits.com](http://www.beringstraits.com), calling the Shareholder Records Department in Nome at (907) 443-5252, by emailing [shareholders@beringstraits.com](mailto:shareholders@beringstraits.com) or by calling the Anchorage office at (907) 563-3788

### RECENT WINNERS

April 2013	Jo Ann Henry, California
March 2013	Annie Ahgupuk, Anchorage
February 2013	Frankie Kuzuguk Jr., Shishmaref
January 2013	Charles Okbaok, Teller
December 2012	Timothy D. Schloesser, Fairbanks
November 2012	Frances Marie Vartanian, Anchorage

Mail in your updated stock will today!

## 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 with your social security number, date of birth and new address to:

Print name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 New mailing address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Social security number: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Date of birth: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Contact phone number: \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Optional) email address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 (If applicable)  
 I am also a custodian for: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Signature: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Print name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 New mailing address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Social security number: \_\_\_\_\_  
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 Signature: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Date: \_\_\_\_\_

BSNC Shareholder Records  
 P.O. Box 1008  
 Nome, AK 99762

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: \_\_\_\_\_

# MISSING SHAREHOLDER ADDRESSES

AGIBINIK, STEVEN GILBERT  
 AHGUPUK, WILSA MATTIE  
 AMAKTOOLIK, SARA  
 AMAROK, ALICE CAROL  
 ANDERSON, THERESA KAY  
 ARNOLD, CRISTA LYNN  
 AYUNERAK, MELANIE  
 BALDWIN, GLADYS  
 BAUMAN, SERAPHIN SPRING  
 BELL, CRAIG WILLIAM  
 BELL, DOROTHY  
 BERGAMASCHI, MARY LAURA  
 BLATCHFORD, PATRICIA SUE  
 BOURDON, JANINE GEORGIA  
 BRODERSON, JOSHUA E.  
 BROWN, ROY EDWARD BEN  
 BROWN, LAMOYNE IRENE  
 BUCK, MARY  
 BUFFAS, LILLIAN THERESA  
 BURKE, EUGENE DAVID  
 BURKHALTER, BEVERLY ANN  
 CARLISLE, KRISTINE  
 CARLISLE, DONNA MARIE  
 CARLSON, OLAV G  
 CAROON, KRISTIE EMMA  
 CAROON, JAMES E  
 CHAPMAN, OLIVER W  
 CHILCOTE, TERRY ANN  
 COFFEE, GORDON  
 COFFEY, KAREN ANN  
 COFFEY, PATRICK C  
 COLE, ROBERT NORMAN  
 DAVID, EARL JOEL  
 DAWSON, CAROL ANN  
 DENNIS, FRANK E  
 DOBSON, DEGEE A  
 DORN, AMANDA LOLA  
 EAKON, GORDON DAVID  
 EAKON, DONALD GEORGE  
 EPPERLEY, CAROL ANN  
 ERNAK, FREDERICK EARL  
 EVANS, DENISE LOUISE  
 EVANS, DANIEL WAYNE  
 EVANS, STEPHANIE HAZEL  
 FIELDS, JAMIE LEE  
 FRY, ANTHONY LANE  
 GONANGNAN, MYLES  
 GRANT, JEFFERY EUGENE  
 GREEN, GERALD ANTHONY  
 GREEN, BRANDON  
 GREENE, LESLIE KIT  
 GREGORY, JULIE

HALL, CHENA J  
 HALL, REEVE T  
 HANSELL, CHRISTINA MARIE  
 HANSEN, STEVEN LEE  
 HARRIS, SHERRI LAVERNE  
 HENRY, LUCY  
 HERMAN, ESTHER N  
 HICKS, STEVEN A  
 HUFFMAN, THOMAS LEE  
 HULS, NANCY  
 HURST, JESSE A  
 HYDER, ASHLEY  
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 IYAPANA, HELEN  
 JACK, CHELSEY ANN  
 JACK, HAZEL NANCY  
 JAMES, SHIRLEY ESTHER  
 JAMES, TIMOTHY DAVID  
 JOHNSON, SCOTTINA  
 JONES, TIFFANY NICOLE  
 JOSEPH, VIOLA VERA  
 KANE, PEGGY LEE  
 KARMUN, HELEN D  
 KATEXAC, ROMALD K  
 KAVAIRLOOK, MILTON  
 KELLER, CHASE JOHN  
 KELLER, EDA SHEREE  
 KIRK, FRANCIS  
 KOBUK, PAULINE MOLLY  
 KOKOCHURUK, ALICE  
 KOKULUK, ROBERT BELLARMINE  
 KOONUK, NELLY CHRISTINE  
 KOOPMANS, PATRICIA ANN  
 KOWELUK, TEDDY  
 KULUKHON, JOANN  
 KUNAYAK, ROBERT ANDREW  
 KUNNUK, DAGAN THOMAS  
 LEAL, SHANNON M  
 LEBLANC, JOHN DAVID  
 LEIGHT, GLADYS  
 LEWIS, GAIL  
 LICK, MATHILDA  
 LOCKWOOD, RICHARD WAYNE  
 LOCKWOOD, HENRY  
 LOCKWOOD, FLOYD B  
 LONG, MARIE R  
 LONGLEY, DARLA MAY  
 LUKE, HENRY WAYNE  
 LUPSON, LORRAINE  
 LUPSON, MARRIE  
 LUPSON, LORRI  
 MADARA, KIMBERLY KAY

MALEWOTKUK, CHAUNCEY  
 MALEWOTKUK, DANNITA HILDA  
 MANDAN, PAMELA J  
 MARTIN, ANNELLE V  
 MARTIN, JOHN J  
 MAY, MICHAEL PATRICK  
 MAYO-KOK, MICHELE LEIGH  
 MAYOKOK, ROBERT WEOKONA  
 MCALEAR, FRIEDA  
 MCCAIN, JULIE MARIE  
 MCFARLING, RODGER LEE  
 MCKINNEY, JUSTIN JAMES  
 MIKE, ALEXIS RUDY  
 MILLER, MARLIN A.  
 MOGG, GERALD D  
 MOORE, BILLIE WAIN  
 MORGAN, JAMES F  
 MORGAN, VIRGIL H  
 MORGAN, MARVIN L  
 MORGAN, HENRY A  
 MOUNT, KENNETH LEE  
 NAKAK, FLORENCE NELLIE  
 NAKARAK, TERESA DENISE  
 NAPAYONAK, DESLIN WADE  
 NASHOANAK, FRANCES  
 NATONABAH, BENJAMIN  
 NAYOKPUK, SOPHIA L  
 NELSON, GERALD HARRY  
 NEPHEW, KYLE  
 NICHOLS, D'LANY BUNNINGTUK  
 NORBERT, JOSEPH  
 KOONUK, DONNA M  
 OBRIEN, JOHN  
 ODLE, PEGGY  
 ODLE, CHARLES HOWARD  
 OKITKON, ELSIE ROSE  
 OKPOWRUK, WILSON FRED  
 OLANNA, ARCHIE  
 OLANNA, WILLIAM A  
 OLANNA, TONYA O  
 OLANNA, BRONS  
 OLANNA, KAREN J  
 OLLOM, SHIRLEY  
 OLSON, JENNIFER  
 OMEIAK, RICHARD RAYMOND  
 OMIAK, ROY MICHAEL ANTONY  
 OQUILLUK, DAVID  
 OTTON, DONALD M  
 PANEOK, BRENDA MAE  
 PANIPTCHUK, AMY ELLA  
 PETE, JEREMIAH  
 PEZZINO, ANITA

PICKUS, JULIA MAY  
 POLAND, DORIS  
 POLARETZKE, STELLA  
 POLLOCK, DENISE  
 RAMIREZ, EMELIO  
 REYNOLDS, ROBERT EARL  
 RIVERA, LENA JUNE  
 ROBERTS, CHARLES L  
 ROGERS, JULIE E  
 ROSE, YVONNE FRANCES  
 RYAN, JULIA DANIELLE  
 RYAN, KIMBERLY MICHELLE  
 SAARIO, JAN ARVO  
 SAMBO, GARY D  
 SANCHEZ, ANNOKAZOOKA LAZYNA  
 SANDEFUR, SHAMUS PATRICK  
 SAVETILIK, WALTER NORTON  
 SEBRING, GEORGE BRADLEY  
 SEEGANNA, LOUISE MARIE  
 SEELKOKE, ARCHIE  
 SEVERANCE, FRANKLIN SAMUEL  
 SMITH, WILLIAM LAURENCE  
 SNOWBALL, BENEDICT A  
 SOCKPICK, THOMAS ANTHONY  
 SOLSKI, ELAZARETH H  
 SOOSUK, SHERI ANNE  
 SOOSUK, MYLES ALLEN  
 STEVE, VICTORIA  
 STEVE, MARTIN T.  
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 SWEETLAND, KATHRYN IRENE  
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 TOPKOK, ALFRED  
 TURNER, JOEY KLEVEN  
 VELTRANO, ERIC CHRISTIAN  
 WALLACE, MARGARET  
 WALLUK, WILLIAM LEE  
 WALSER, JAMES MELVIN  
 WARD, AGNES L I  
 WASHINGTON, MARTHA MARIE  
 WASHINGTON, PRESTON  
 WASSLIE, ANGELINE  
 WELLS, WILLIAM DAVID  
 WEYIOUANNA, REUBEN P  
 WHITIS, GEORGETTE MARIE  
 WILLIFORD, SANDRA M  
 WILLOYA, STEFFANNITA MARIE  
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 YOKUM, ELIZEBETH LYNN  
 YOUNG, MARY JILL

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**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

I, \_\_\_\_\_, 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 \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_,  
*City State*

State of: \_\_\_\_\_

this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2\_\_\_\_.

County of: \_\_\_\_\_ (or \_\_\_\_\_ Judicial District)

Signature of Testator \_\_\_\_\_

Subscribed, sworn to and acknowledged before me by \_\_\_\_\_

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.

the testator, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_

Notary Public or Postmaster \_\_\_\_\_

In and for the State of \_\_\_\_\_

My Commission Expires \_\_\_\_\_

# BSNC REGION NEWS

## BSNC ANNOUNCES NEW SECONDARY LOGO



BSNC is pleased to announce that we now have a new secondary logo! This new logo will be used on our websites, social media and marketing material. A sticker of this new logo will be included in the shareholder proxy packets that will be mailed out with the annual report.

On the new secondary logo is a “Qargi”, the traditional community house of Inupiat and Yup’ik societies in western and northwest Alaska. It is a place where cooperative efforts for hunting are planned, guests are welcomed and fed, and the tools for a life on the land are constructed and repaired. This is where culture is celebrated through traditional songs and dance.

The new BSNC logo was designed in-house and is easier to reproduce for many mediums, including social media, advertisements, apparel and print. The classic ribbon logo that has been used by the company for years will continue as the official corporate logo.

## KAWERAK ANNOUNCES AWARD WINNERS

*Awards honor those who enrich and improve lives of Alaska Native people*

BSNC shareholders Jolene Nanouk and John Sinnok and BSNC descendant Beverly Nakarak were honored by Kawerak for their contributions to their home communities. Jolene Nanouk of Unalakleet won the Hunter/Subsistence Award, which recognizes and Alaska Native person who exemplifies and preserves the spirit of successful subsistence hunting, trapping and sharing – “our way of life.” John Sinnock of Shishmaref received the Culture Bearer Award for his strong involvement in the arts.

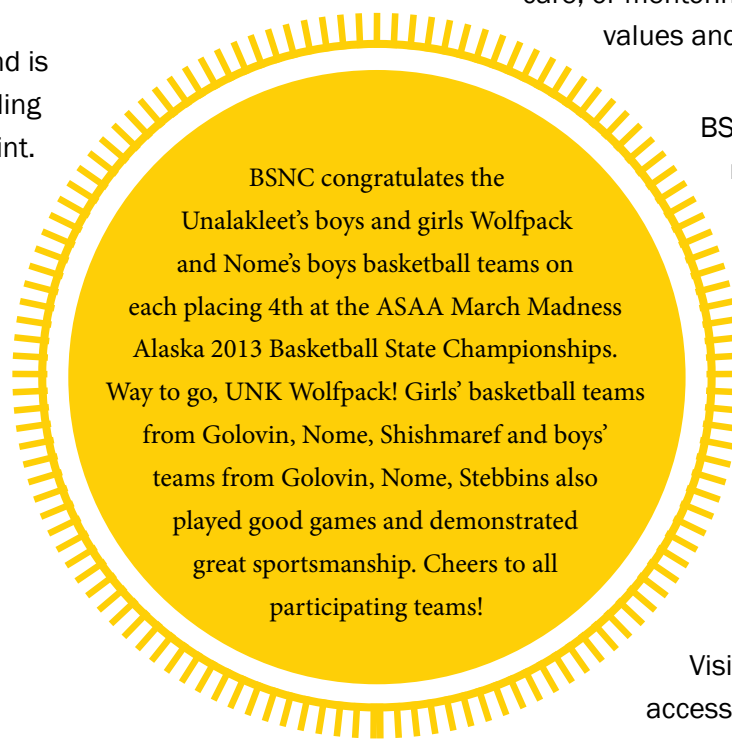
Beverly Nakarak of Elim was honored with the Youth Leadership Award for her leadership and outstanding efforts to raise awareness of issues within her peer group or community on a local or regional level. Ms. Nakarak is the daughter of BSNC shareholder Lolila Nakarak.

## BSNC ANNOUNCES “YOUNG PROVIDERS AWARD”

*Recognizes young person from region for direct contributions to family and community*

Life choices faced by rural Alaska Native young people, including whether to stay in rural Alaska or seek opportunities elsewhere, are very challenging to the social fabric of rural Alaska. BSNC is pleased to announce an award that specially recognizes the valuable contributions of young Alaska Native people who stay in their rural Alaska home communities and help care for their extended family, including children, parents, grandparents, nieces and nephews.

This award is for a young person who perpetuates Alaska Native culture and a positive lifestyle not by measure of their academic or financial success, but by caring for family through subsistence activities, Elder care, or mentoring of young people in traditional activities and values and education.



BSNC congratulates the Unalakleet’s boys and girls Wolfpack and Nome’s boys basketball teams on each placing 4th at the ASAA March Madness Alaska 2013 Basketball State Championships. Way to go, UNK Wolfpack! Girls’ basketball teams from Golovin, Nome, Shishmaref and boys’ teams from Golovin, Nome, Stebbins also played good games and demonstrated great sportsmanship. Cheers to all participating teams!

BSNC will accept nominations from family members, teachers, tribal and corporation board members and other community members for young people, less than 30 years of age, who care for their families through the above-mentioned activities. Nomination of individuals who are involved in activities that benefit the community such as suicide prevention programs, youth sports, and community well-being and health are especially encouraged. The deadline for submitting a nomination is July 1.

Visit [www.beringstraits.com/youngproviders](http://www.beringstraits.com/youngproviders) to access the nomination form or call (907)443-5252 to receive a form via mail or fax. Forms may also be available at your tribal office or village corporation office.

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## BSNC REGION CALENDAR OF EVENTS

# 2013

### June

14 - Deadline to file to run for BSNC BOD

21-22 - Nome Folk Festival

22 - Midnight Sun Parade

23 - Nome River Raft Race

### July

4 - BSNC offices closed in observation of Independence Day

25-28 - Fish River Bible Camp

# BSNC HAPPENINGS



Kodiak Support Services Program Manager Robert Hough accepts the 2013 DHS Small Business Achievement Award. On his left is Deputy Chief Procurement Officer Dan Clever. To his right is Inuit Services Operations Manager James Ingram, BSNC Vice President of Gov't Services Richard Foster and U.S. Coast Guard Head of Contracting Activity Terri Jendrossek.

## BSNC SUBSIDIARY RECEIVES SMALL BUSINESS ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

### Kodiak Support Services JV recognized for outstanding work at Kodiak Coast Guard base

Kodiak Support Services, a joint venture between BSNC's Inuit Services Inc. and Koman, Inc., a Kodiak-based Alaska Native corp., was one of 16 companies selected by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) to receive the 2013 DHS Small Business Achievement Award for its outstanding work in support of the DHS's U.S. Coast Guard (USCG) mission.

Kodiak Support Services was specifically recognized for its base operations support work performed for USCG's Kodiak Base, the Coast Guard's largest operating site. The 9th annual DHS Small Business Ceremony took place on April 24. BSNC applauds the efforts of the men and women working on the Kodiak base operations support contract for their outstanding work.



During a recent Congressional visit to discuss 8a issues, BSNC President and CEO Gail Schubert was honored to meet with Congresswoman Tammy Duckworth (center), a newly-elected U.S. Representative for Illinois' 8th Congressional District. Congresswoman Duckworth spent many years in Hawaii, is an Iraq War veteran, a former helicopter pilot who survived being shot down in combat, the first Asian-American woman elected to Congress in Illinois, the first disabled woman to be elected to the U.S. House of Representatives and the first member of Congress born in Thailand. To the left of Congresswoman Duckworth is Lynn G. Cutler, a senior policy advisor for Holland & Knight, a law firm.



BSNC President and CEO Gail Schubert and Sen. Begich hold Salmon Lake legislation, which enabled BSNC to acquire lands surrounding Salmon Lake through selections made pursuant to the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act of 1971.

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The construction of the hospital was funded by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 and specified that Indian Preference requirements were to be followed in hiring workers. The walls of the new hospital feature incredible works of art by residents of Bering Strait region villages.

The new hospital is a 150,000-square-foot facility; triple the size of the old hospital. It brings primary care, ambulatory surgery services, a pharmacy, diagnostic imaging, an emergency room as well as public health nursing, dental and laboratory services, under one roof.

The hospital is located at 1000 Greg Kruschek Avenue and is open for all offered clinical services. Learn more by visiting [NortonSoundHealth.org](http://NortonSoundHealth.org).

#### PORT CLARENCE - Continued from page 1

port to help protect the Nation's strategic interests.

In 1976, BSNC selected the Port Clarence lands, which feature a natural deep-water port, for conveyance should the land become available. BSNC staff have made it a priority to receive title, regardless of the transfer's complexity or legal and regulatory obstacles encountered.

The increase in marine traffic through the Northwest Passage in recent years has placed Port Clarence in the center of an area in need of safety and shipping infrastructure. Port Clarence is the only port of refuge along the coast with water that is deep enough to shelter commercial and military vessels. The infrastructure already present on-site could be expanded to provide a greater ability to respond to marine incidents and fuel spills. There is also an industry demand to develop a facility that would serve as a staging area for oil and gas exploration in the Chukchi and Beaufort Seas.

## BSNC RECOGNIZED AS SMALL BUSINESS SUPPLIER OF CHOICE BY VSE CORP.

VSE Corp. honored BSNC as its Small Business Supplier of Choice. "We recognize BSNC and its subsidiaries for the outstanding work they have done as a teammate and partner to us in 2012," said VSE Federal Group President Donnelle Moten. "BSNC has consistently demonstrated integrity, quality and commitment, and we are proud to team with them on the Army EAGLE Basic Ordering Agreement (BOA) contract."

VSE is Federal Services Company of choice for solving issues of global significance with agility, integrity and value. VSE marked its 50th year as a government contractor in January 2009 and is dedicated to making our small business teammates successful by delivering talented people and innovative solutions for program management, logistics, engineering, IT services, construction program management and consulting.

### BSNC IS HIRING!

BSNC, its subsidiaries, affiliates and joint ventures want to hire qualified shareholders, descendants and shareholder spouses, along with promoting qualified in-house staff to meet newly created or vacated positions, so please check out open positions and share this link with your friends and family.

[www.BeringStraits.com/careers](http://www.BeringStraits.com/careers)

# BERING STRAITS FOUNDATION NEWS

## IMPORTANT NEWS FROM BSF

Are you interested in applying for financial support from the Bering Straits Foundation? The next deadline is June 30 for all students currently enrolled in a college, university, or technical school.

### *BSF will soon be switching to a yearly scholarship cycle.*

Students seeking financial support from BSF for the 2014-2015 academic year should apply just once by June 30, 2014. Eligible students will receive two separate financial support checks - one in the fall, and one in the spring - after BSF receives students' fall transcripts and spring class schedules. Call (907) 443-4305 to learn more.

## SHAREHOLDER AWARDED FORD FOUNDATION FELLOWSHIP



Holly Guise

BSNC shareholder Holly Guise (Miowak), who is working toward a doctoral degree in history at Yale University, was awarded a three-year \$60,000 Ford Foundation pre-doctoral fellowship in support of her dissertation research on Alaska Native racial segregation and the Alaska Native Civil Rights Movement of the 1940s. In addition to financial support, the Ford Foundation will send Ms. Guise and other Ford Fellows to attend a conference that teaches valuable skills about writing dissertations, publishing academic articles and books, networking with faculty members of color, tips on teaching diverse students and applying for academic positions at universities. Ms. Guise is Inupiaq and the daughter of BSNC shareholder Ella Anagick with family roots from Unalakleet. She thanks BSF, her advisor Ned Blackhawk (Western Shoshone) and family members for their support and encouragement.

## INTERN SUCCESS STORY New graduate Naomi Brunette succeeds with support from BSF

Naomi Brunette of Nome graduated from Fort Lewis College in Durango, Colo. in April with a bachelor's degree in U.S. History and a minor in Coaching. Her parents are Kenny and Rosali Brunette and her grandparents are the late Rev. Timothy and Anna Gologergen.

This spring Ms. Brunette wrote BSF: "While attending college I was a recipient of the Bering Straits Foundation scholarship, along with other scholarships from organizations within the Bering Straits region. The BSF scholarship provided the financial support I needed to stay in school and earn my degree. In addition, I was able to complete an internship at the Anchorage Bering Straits Native Corporation office. The internship allowed me to foster new personal and professional skills.

The BSF scholarship, and other scholarship programs from within the region, offer much more than financial assistance to college students. Students from this region are extremely fortunate to have the support and resources made available by scholarship programs. I encourage all future college-bound students to take advantage of such an amazing support system."

Since graduation, Ms. Brunette returned to Nome where she works as the tribal youth services specialist for the Nome Eskimo Community.



## DESCENDANT TRAVELED ON ACADEMIC EXCHANGE

BSNC descendant and BSF scholarship recipient Jenny Miller traveled to Ontario, Canada, as a Killam Fellow to attend Western University for the fall 2012 semester. The Killam Fellowships Program provides an opportunity for exceptional undergraduate students from universities in the U.S. to spend either one semester or a full academic year as an exchange student in Canada. Ms. Miller is the daughter of BSNC shareholder Charlotte Miller. She is seeking a double degree in Photomedia and American Indian Studies at the University of Washington.

## WANT TO HELP STUDENTS FROM THE BERING STRAITS REGION SUCCEED?

### DONATE AN AUCTION ITEM!

The Bering Straits Foundation seeks art, handmade clothing items, jewelry, knitted goods and ulus for its 11th annual art auction to be held in Nome in October.

Call (907) 443-4305  
or email [msallaffie@beringstraits.com](mailto:msallaffie@beringstraits.com)  
to make a tax-deductible donation.

## BSF T-SHIRTS FOR SALE

Wanna malik? Help support college-bound students from the Bering Straits region by purchasing a T-shirt from the Bering Straits Foundation (BSF).



Check out one of BSF's scholarship recipients, Theresa Olanna, rocking an "I'm going to college." T-shirt!

Proceeds will benefit students seeking financial support from the Foundation. T-shirts are \$25 each if purchased in person at Suite 201 of the BSNC Building in Nome, Alaska and \$30 for 1 or \$28 for two or more for out-of-town residents (shipping is included).

Call (907) 443-4305 to learn more.



# BSNC PHOTO CONTEST RESULTS

BSNC is pleased to announce the winners of its 2013 photo contest. Thank you to everyone who submitted photos; judging the contest was very challenging due to the large volume of high-quality photography received. BSNC shareholder Rhoda Nanouk of Unalakleet won the grand prize - an iPad mini. Check out the winning photos by visiting [www.BeringStraits.com/photocontest](http://www.BeringStraits.com/photocontest). Congratulations to Ms. Nanouk and to all of the other winning entrants!



**CULTURAL**  
1st) Rhoda Nanouk (Grand Prize winner) - "Ice fishing gear on ice floe"



**SUBSISTENCE**  
1st) Sandra DeWilde - "Cleaning fish at fish camp"



**HISTORICAL**  
1st) Tonia Sagoonick - "Reindeer in field"



**VILLAGE LIFE**  
3rd) Curtis Ivanoff - "Northern lights over village"



**CULTURAL**  
2nd) Maggie Christofferson - "Pike fishing"



**CULTURAL**  
3rd) Sherri Anderson - "Potluck"



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3rd) Jacque Morris - "Floyd"

**Scenery**  
1st) Kyle Sagoonick - "Cape Denbigh"  
2nd) Rhoda Nanouk - "Mountains, sun and ocean scene"  
3rd) Sandra DeWilde - "Beach/mountain"

**Subsistence**  
1st) Sandra DeWilde - "Cleaning fish at fish camp"  
2nd) Jacque Morris - "Little girl clamming"  
3rd) Rhoda Nanouk - "Blueberries in pails"

**Village life**  
1st) Helen Otten - "Boys playing basketball"  
2nd) Rhoda Nanouk - "Harbor, blue skies & mountain scene"  
3rd) Curtis Ivanoff - "Northern lights over village"

**Weather**  
1st) Rhoda Nanouk - "Winter storm of Nov. 9, 2011"

To view all photos, please visit [www.BeringStraits.com/photocontest](http://www.BeringStraits.com/photocontest)



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