BSNC BOARD OF DIRECTORS AUTHORIZE ISSUANCE OF $3.25 PER SHARE DIVIDEND

Distribution to take place in December

The Bering Straits Native Corporation (BSNC) Board of Directors has declared a dividend of $3.25 per share to be issued in December. The average BSNC shareholder who owns 100 shares of stock will receive $325. This dividend is an 8.3 percent increase from BSNC’s 2013 distribution.

“BSNC’s Board recognizes the importance of meaningful returns to our shareholders,” said BSNC Board Chairman Henry Ivanoff.

BSNC SHAREHOLDER PROMOTED TO VICE PRESIDENT
Larry Pederson to lead Land and Resources

BSNC has announced the promotion of shareholder Larry Pederson to Vice President of Land and Resources. In his new role, Pederson is responsible for establishing and maintaining goals and objectives for the development of BSNC’s mineral and land resources, ensuring that all land transfer programs via ANCSA and ANILCA entitlements are obtained and overseeing administrative functions related to meeting the goals and objectives of the Land and Resources Department.

Larry Pederson

“I welcome Larry into his new role,” said BSNC President and CEO Gail Schubert. “I look forward to BSNC continuing to benefit from his experience, commitment to our region and expertise.”

“I am excited to start my new position as VP of Land and Resources,” said Pederson. “I look forward to continuing to serve BSNC shareholders through my work at the Company.”

Pederson formerly served as BSNC’s Land and Resources Manager. Pederson earned a bachelor of science degree in environmental biology from Fort Lewis College in Durango, Colo. He joined the Company with more than eight years of experience in environmental contracting and management. In addition to his employment with BSNC, Pederson is currently the president of Council Native Corporation and chair of the Nome Planning Commission and Golovin Bay Watershed Alliance.

BSNC AND THE LAND

Part 3: BSNC’s recent history
By Vice President Media and External Affairs Matt Ganley

After emerging from bankruptcy in 1989, BSNC operations were based primarily in Nome. Because of the difficulties associated with the bankruptcy, the Board of Directors entered this new period with a cautious approach to business development and investment. During this period, other Alaska Native Corporations were becoming involved in the SBA 8(a) program, which provided specific incentives for federal contracting by small and disadvantaged businesses. BSNC avoided entering the 8(a) program early on, instead focusing on building solid ventures in Nome.

In the early 1990’s BSNC began a car rental service through Stampede Ventures. Construction of a new office building, purchase of the Old Federal Building and the construction of the Aurora Executive suites in the mid 1990’s enhanced BSNC’s real estate portfolio. In 1999, the Aurora Inn construction was finalized and it now serves as the center for hotel rooms and car rentals in Nome.

Other business ventures in Nome were established during the early and mid-1990’s, and Bering Straits Development Company (BSDC) has grown since that time and now provides electrical and construction services throughout western and northwestern Alaska, as well as general construction. BSDC has had a number of projects in the region’s communities including housing, daycare and clinic construction as well as alternative energy projects throughout western Alaska.

Sound Quarry Inc. (SQI) and Cape Nome Products (CNP) have provided rock for the sea walls in Shishmaref, Unalakleet and Nome and the causeway/port of Nome. Throughout the late 1980’s and 1990’s the BSDC, SQI, CNP Aurora Inn and Stampede Ventures successfully expanded and they continue today as solid regional businesses that have significant shareholder and descendant hire.

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A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT & CEO
By Bering Straits Native Corporation President and CEO Gail R. Schubert

I hope everyone is having a good fall and that you all were able to put away fish, berries and game for the winter. It was an unusual fall in many areas, with warmer temperatures and the failure of berry crops in many villages in our region. As we head into winter months, our focus is on the upcoming state and federal elections. BSNC is participating in the Get Out The Native Vote effort and encourages its shareholders to vote on Nov. 4. The reasons for voting are many, and our quality of life depends on whether our representation in office is a reflection of rural Alaska and needs.

BSNC’s Board of Directors have approved support for the following candidates in the upcoming November elections: Mark Begich, U.S. Senator; Bill Walker and Byron Mallott, Governor and Lt. Governor; and Don Young, U.S. Congress. These endorsements represent the position of BSNC’s Board of Directors. BSNC encourages shareholders and descendants of voting age to exercise their right to elect a candidate of their choice. BSNC continues to pursue title to Port Clarence (also called Point Spencer), a natural deep-water port located on the Bering Strait near the 50-mile-wide expanse between Russia and Alaska. On May 15, 2014, Congressman Don Young and Congressman Duncan Hunter introduced H.R. 4668. This bill provides for the fair and expeditious conveyance of land at Point Spencer, also known as Port Clarence, located in the Bering Strait region, to BSNC in partial fulfillment of its 1976 land selection under Section 14(h)(8) of ANCSA, and to the State of Alaska as part of its land entitlement under the Statehood Act. The bill also provides for the retention of land by the U.S. Coast Guard for its uses. I was privileged to testify this fall before the House Subcommittee on Indian and Alaska Native Affairs about this bill and its importance in resolving the competing land claims at Port Clarence, and creation of economic development opportunities in our region. The passage of this legislation will result in job creation in rural Alaska, thereby improving the quality of life of both Alaska Native and non-Native people living in the region. It will also support economic growth in the region and the state, help save lives, prevent pollution in the Arctic, and provide a port of refuge for the increased shipping traffic through the Bering Strait, the Northwest Passage and the Northern Sea Route. Additionally, passage of H.R. 4668 will assist in preventing the looting of cultural and historical items of importance to the indigenous people of the Bering Strait.

The growing potential of the Arctic continues to be a high priority for BSNC. In addition to supporting oil and gas industry needs, we believe Port Clarence will positively contribute to sustainable economic growth in the BSNC region. Quyanna for your continued support of BSNC and our efforts to improve the lives of our shareholders and those who live in our region.

HISTORICAL SPOTLIGHT: TEDDY SOCKPICK

Teddy Sockpick was an ivory carver known for his scrimshaw miniatures of wildlife, landscapes, and subsistence activities. Born in 1907 in Wales, Sockpick later became the only survivor in his family. In 1918, at the age of 11, he became an orphan as the 1918 influenza epidemic swept through the village, killing nearly 200 Wales residents. He then moved to Shishmaref, where he lived with friends and relatives and met Holly Nayokpuk, who later became his wife.

Sockpick was described as an introvert but was a skillful hunter. During one hunt, Sockpick walked for two days on the Bering Sea ice where he found a breathing hole and shot an oogruk “bearded seal.” The oogruk could not fit through the opening so Sockpick used his axe to widen the ice hole. Although he had a long walk back home, Sockpick was not worried because he had plenty to sustain him. During his later years, Sockpick worked on gold dredges during the Gold Rush and then at the school district in Nome until he retired. He passed down his valuable knowledge, including carving, to his son Davis and his grandson Gary, who is also a well-known carver. His great-granddaughter Theresa Olanna is working toward her Bachelor of Science in Nursing at the University of Alaska Anchorage. Teddy Sockpick passed away on June 14, 1988.

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BSNC ranked #14 of Alaska’s top 49 Alaskan-owned businesses in 2014.
BSNC shareholder Alison McKay owns McKay Music Studio in Anchorage, Alaska. Her voice and piano studio gives students the tools to grow their musical talents without fear. Originally from Unalakleet, McKay received her bachelor’s of music in applied voice from the Boston Conservatory of Music in 1982. She spent 10 years performing professionally and taught music in the Vermont public school system. She has performed with the Anchorage Opera, New York Grand Opera Co., Boston Opera and sung at Lincoln Center and in Serbia. Some of her students have gone on to perform on Broadway. Four years ago, McKay returned to Alaska because she wanted to teach Native youth.

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**SHAREHOLDER BUSINESS SPOTLIGHT: MCKAY MUSIC STUDIO**

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**SUMMER INTERNSHIP RECAP**

BSNC is committed to helping prepare tomorrow’s leaders for the workforce by providing paid internships to qualified students each summer. Shareholders and descendants gained valuable work experience and skills by working in the Anchorage office with staff in Human Resources, Accounting, Communications and Business Development. Ty Gooden of Nome gained mechanical experience while interning for Stampede Ventures, Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Bering Straits Development Co.

This year, the Company added a training component to the internship program, which included workshops by staff on leadership skills, public speaking, the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, cultural awareness, policy issues that impact Alaska Native people, speed mentoring, resume/HR tips and business structure.

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**WINNERS OF THE 2014 BSNC PHOTO CONTEST**

**CULTURAL**
1st Sandra DeWilde - “Kakaruk Reindeer”
2nd Melanie Sagoonick - “Chin Tattoo”
3rd Melanie Sagoonick - “Prayer”

**SUBSISTENCE**
1st Brandi Oquilluk - “Salmon Jumping”
2nd Melanie Sagoonick - “Herring Egg Gathering”
3rd Paul “Beebucks” Ivanoff - “Cutting Fish”

**SCENERY**
1st Brandi Oquilluk - “Sundog”
2nd Vernae Angnaboogok - “Cape Mountain Hand”
3rd Vernae Angnaboogok - “Atatit (Razorback Mountain)”

**VILLAGE LIFE**
1st Helena Otton - “Making your own rim”
2nd Brandi Oquilluk - “Grandma’s Kamaamak”
3rd Melanie Sagoonick - “Ocean Swimming”

**HONORABLE MENTION**
Brandi Oquilluk - “Dried Fish”

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**MONTHLY STOCK WILL DRAWING WINNERS**

May – Alvin Pootoogooluk, Anchorage
June – Lai Collard, Washington
July – Bertha Olanna, Brevig Mission
August – April Elliot
September – Pauline Klementson

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

BETTY FLORA NICHOLSON
BESS MILLER
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BSNC shareholders should update the Shareholder Records Department directly in writing anytime their mailing address or name changes. Changes for shareholders under the age of 18 must be signed by the minor’s custodian.

Print name:
New mailing address:
Social security number:
Date of birth:
Contact phone number:
Email address:
Date:

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

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(b)(2), freely and voluntarily execute this will and hereby devise and bequeath my shares of stock in Bering Straits Native Corporation to:

Name of village

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 be given as whole shares and not split into fractional shares.

If applicable

Date of birth:
Social security number:
Date of birth:
Signature:
Date:

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

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

Dated at ____________________________, __________________________, 20_____.

State of:
County of: ______________________ (or Judicial District)

Subscribed, sworn to and acknowledged before me by the testator, this ______ day of ______________, 20_____.

Notary Public or Postmaster
In and for the State of
BSNC REGION NEWS

BSNC ANNOUNCES VILLAGE LIFE STORIES PROJECT
Shareholders encouraged to submit stories

BSNC is launching the Village Life Stories Project, an initiative to share the Bering Strait region’s rich cultural history. BSNC shareholders are invited to submit stories of personal experiences about growing up and life in the village to media@beringstraits.com. Photos are not required but encouraged. Story entries must be accompanied by the author’s name, hometown and a story title. Selected stories will be shared on a BSNC webpage and the Facebook page.

CAPE NOME PRODUCTS JV RECOGNIZED FOR SAFETY

Cape Nome Products, a Knik Construction and BSNC’s Sound Quarry Inc. (SQI) joint venture, received a safety award in July for their three-year, 36,000-hour, zero-accident record. BSNC congratulates the Cape Nome crew for their work and commitment to safety culture.

“I truly enjoy my job,” said Cape Nome/Knik Construction Facility Manager and BSNC shareholder Dora Hughes. “We make material that improves the lives and livelihood of those in rural Alaska. Our products serve as erosion control, foundations and improvements to airports, asphalt, highway and road material. We’ve built a jetty to export material quicker rather than trucking to town, which saves on cost, highway traffic and the limited space within the harbor of Nome. We’ve sent material to Shaktoolik, Unalakleet, Kotzebue, Nome, Kivalina, Pilot Station, Shishmaref, Wainwright and villages along the Yukon river such as Alakanuk. Safety is our number one priority, which we are committed to and take pride in.”

The Cape Nome crew was recognized for their three-year, 36,000-hour, zero-accident record in July.

EAGLE EYE ELECTRIC TO COMPLETE REMEDIATION IN UNALAKLEET

Eagle Eye Electric, a wholly owned subsidiary of BSNC, has been contracted by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to remediate soil contamination 12 miles east of Unalakleet, Alaska. The remediation will be completed in partnership with Jacobs Engineering in the summer of 2015.

The scope of work includes the remediation of petroleum oil and lubricant (POL) and Polychlorinated Biphenyl (PCB) contaminated soils at the North River Radio Relay Station Air Force site. This site, located approximately 12 miles east of Unalakleet, has had previous remediation actions in the past, including investigations, demolition and limited removal actions. Under this new contract, Eagle Eye Electric and Jacobs Engineering will remove approximately 4,500 cubic yards of soil. Some of this soil will be transported via barge for disposal while the majority, soil contaminated only with POL, will be treated at a location nearby.

BSNC invites Unalakleet residents to attend a public meeting regarding the remediation at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 5 at Unalakleet’s Myles Gonongan/Aaron Paneok Memorial Hall. Please email media@beringstraits.com for more information.

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BSNC was Bering Straits Native Corporation’s first entry into 8(a) contracting, becoming certified in 1994. One of the first 8(a) projects was an environmental cleanup on Anvil Mountain in the mid 1990s.

In 2003, Inuit Services became BSNC’s initial 8(a) subsidiary. Since that time, BSNC has developed subsidiaries and partnerships to secure a strong position within the contracting sector. Based on the success of Inuit Services, BSNC has continued to add numerous successful small business and 8(a) contracting companies, including Bering Straits Information Technology, Global Support Services and Bering Straits Logistics Services. We continue to look at new opportunities to grow these subsidiaries to bring value to shareholders.

Land prioritizations continued as BSNC worked with the Bureau of Land Management to secure final patent for village lands and lands selected by BSNC under Section 14(h) of ANCSA. The corporation selected all of the lands surrounding Salmon Lake, but the State of Alaska also selected the property. Due to a regulatory requirement, BLM rejected BSNC’s selection. The Board decided that the area of Salmon Lake was indeed a priority and appealed the BLM ruling to the Interior Board of Land Appeals (IBLA). It was at this time that Senator Murkowski introduced legislation that would accelerate land conveyances for Native Corporations and the State of Alaska.

In the legislation (P.L. 108-452, Dec. 10, 2004), a provision allowed negotiations with BLM to rectify competing claims. BSNC and the state entered into discussions in 2004 and reached an agreement with BLM on the disposition of the lands surrounding Salmon Lake on July 18, 2007 (Salmon Lake Area Land Ownership Consolidation Agreement). Congressional Legislation ratified the agreement and the president signed the Salmon Lake Land Selection Resolution Act (P.L. 112-133) on June 15, 2012.

BSNC continues to work with BLM and the region’s village corporations to finalize conveyance of all ANCSA lands. Towards this end, all but Unalakleet, Shaktoolik, Sitnasuak (Nome) and Inalik have received the final patents for their ANCSA lands. BSNC still has some outstanding 14(h) acreage to be conveyed, a number of historic and cemetery tracts (14(h)(1)) and the remaining 14(h)(2) selections (surface and subsurface for BSNC).

One of the last ANCSA land selections BSNC is actively pursuing is the property at Point Spencer (Port Clarence). Because of the potential for increased marine traffic related to offshore oil and gas development and shipping through the Northern Sea Route and the Northwest Passage, it is critical that BSNC secures the property and position necessary for insuring that the benefits of these trends are realized by our coastal communities. Of equal importance is the need to prepare for the negative impacts that could come with economic development along our Arctic shores. Legislation has been introduced by Congressman Don Young (H.R. 4668) which will expedite the transfer of Point Spencer and will distribute the lands there to the State of Alaska, the Coast Guard and BSNC. The division of the land is necessary to insure that the needs of the Coast Guard are met and to provide BSNC the real estate necessary to begin, with partners in industry, the phased build-out of infrastructure for spill response and shipping support. Through the acquisition of lands at Point Spencer, BSNC will be able to use the experience and capabilities we have gained through our multi-faceted business ventures. Moving forward into the Arctic future we will continue to work towards increasing BSNC’s value while maximizing economic independence in our region and communities.

- The Agreement and Act also conveyed lands in the Agiapuk River delta and Windy Cove areas on Imuruk Basin to BSNC.
- Congressional action will be necessary because of the competing State and BSNC claims, and the need to expedite the transfer to meet the growing need for facilities along the Arctic coast.

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BSNC SUBSIDIARY TO PERFORM PEACEKEEPING

BSNC subsidiary Global Asset Technologies (GAT) was recently awarded a five-year contract by the Department of State’s Bureau of International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs office to perform international police peacekeeping operations support. The majority of the work will be on the continent of Africa.

GAT will begin deployment in November 2014. Countries GAT may assist include: Togo, Senegal, Benin, Burkina Faso, Chad, and/or Nepal with a focus on UN missions in Mali, Darfur and Liberia.

The level of assistance for each country will vary based on political commitment and existing capacity in the partner country. The ultimate goal of GAT’s assistance is to improve the ability of local law enforcement agencies to independently train and deploy high quality police to peacekeeping missions. With this contract, GAT continues to support the global war on terror.

BSNC ENDORSES WALKER/ MALLOTT, YOUNG, BEGICH

BSNC’s Board of Directors have approved support for the following candidates in the upcoming November elections: Mark Begich, U.S. Senator; Bill Walker and Byron Mallott, Governor and Lt. Governor; and Don Young, U.S. Congress.

“The stakes in these elections are far too great for BSNC not to publicly endorse candidates, particularly in the close senatorial and gubernatorial races,” said BSNC Chairman Henry Ivanoff. “At the state level, Alaska needs an administration that responds to rural and urban issues and one that places a priority on the health and well-being of its citizens. Having balanced representation in Washington is also desired and we have a strong advocate in Senator Begich,” he added.

These endorsements represent the position of BSNC’s Board of Directors. BSNC encourages shareholders and descendants of voting age to exercise their right to elect a candidate of their choice.

BSNC ENCOURAGES SHAREHOLDERS TO VOTE

BSNC is participating in the Get Out The Native Vote effort, and encourages its shareholders to vote on Nov. 4.

What if Alaska Native people across the state voted in every election?

• Would rural Alaska still be fighting for education funding?

• Would our subsistence lifestyle continue to be threatened?

• Would the development of natural resources on Native-owned land be continually up for debate?

Your Quality of Life Depends On It!

Get Out The Native Vote.

Know someone who needs language assistance? The Voting Rights Act of 1965 requires the Division of Elections to provide language assistance to Central Yup’ik, Siberian Yupik and Inupiaq speakers. Election workers can assist voters or a voter may have a person of their choice provide assistance as long as that person is not a candidate, your employer, agent of your employer, or agent of your union. The person you choose to assist may go into the voting booth with you to help you in casting your ballot.

SCHUBERT RECOGNIZED BY YWCA, RECEIVES UNSUNG HERO AWARD

BSNC President & CEO Gail Schubert was selected to receive a 2014 YWCA Alaska/BP Women of Achievement Award. The Women of Achievement Award honors women who give of their time and energy to make our world a better place. It recognizes and honors women who have demonstrated qualities of leadership and excellence in their professional and personal endeavors as well as their contributions to the larger community. The award will be presented at the 25th Annual Women of Achievement Awards and Purse Auction on Thursday, Nov. 13.

Schubert also received the Unsung Hero Award from the Northwest Indian Bar Association in May. The annual award honors an attorney for his or her outstanding contributions toward improving the legal and political landscape of Pacific Northwest Indian Country.

SCHUBERT NAMED TO ALASKA ARCTIC POLICY COMMISSION

The Alaska State Chamber of Commerce and the Alaska Arctic Policy Commission announced BSNC President & CEO Gail Schubert as one of three Alaska business leaders to represent the U.S. on the newly created Arctic Economic Council (AEC). The AEC will work to foster business development in the Arctic, engage in deeper circumpolar cooperation, and provide a business perspective to the work of the Arctic Council, its parent organization.

The creation of the AEC comes at critical time. With the possibility of oil and gas exploration and production in U.S. Arctic waters, increased international shipping, as well as longer ice-free periods and changing storm patterns, coastal Arctic communities face new challenges and opportunities. The other U.S. representatives selected are Lori Davey, General Manager of Fairweather, LLC, and Bruce Harland, Vice President of Business Development for Crowley Marine Services, Inc.

The Ottawa Declaration of 1996 formally established the Arctic Council as a high-level intergovernmental forum to provide a means for promoting cooperation, coordination and interaction among the Arctic States, with the involvement of the Arctic Indigenous communities and other Arctic inhabitants on common Arctic issues, particularly issues of sustainable development and environmental protection in the Arctic.
**Recipient Success Story: Christian Leckband**

BSF recipient Christian Leckband, raised in Nome, credits his supportive tight-knit community, family and friends for his success as a student and a basketball player. Leckband graduated from Nome Beltz High School in 2011 and was signed to play basketball for the University of Alaska Anchorage. Being a part of the team for the past three years was challenging at times, but for Leckband, it’s been an amazing experience.

While playing for UAA, Leckband is also pursuing a bachelor’s degree in business management as well as a bachelor’s degree in marketing. Currently interning for Sitnasuak Native Corporation through First Alaskans Institute, Leckband hopes to someday work for an Alaska Native organization or corporation.

“I look forward to learning the business operations of Alaska Native corporations and learning the policy issues affecting native people statewide,” said Leckband. “I am able to do all of these things thanks to the generous support of numerous organizations in our region including the Bering Straits Foundation. I thank my entire family, friends, and various members of the region for supporting me through the years. I am working hard to make you all proud and to be a good representative of our region.”
BSNC HONORS ELDERS

BSNC recognizes the importance of Elders in our communities and requests that village corporations send us information so that we can honor them. BSNC recognizes all of the Elders whose names are sent to the Company.

In appreciation for their accomplishments in maintaining our traditional lifestyle, sharing knowledge with our youth and preserving the culture and heritage of our region, BSNC honors the following Elders whose names were submitted by their respective village corporation:

Golovin Native Corporation: Mary Lou Amaktoolik

King Island Native Corporation: Grace Pullock

Shaktoolik Native Corporation: Palmer Sagoonick

Shishmaref Native Corporation: Willa T. Seetomona

Sitnasuak Native Corporation: Marie Saciamana

Solomon Native Corporation: Roy Kenick - In Memoriam

Solomon Native Corporation: RoseAnn Timbers - In Memoriam

St Michael Native Corporation: Andrew Lockwood Sr.

Unalakleet Native Corporation: Lorena Paniptchuk

Unalakleet Native Corporation: Laura Theresa Nanouk

Wales Native Corporation: Albert S. Mazona

White Mountain Native Corporation: Lois “Bunny” Larsen

YOUNG PROVIDERS RECOGNIZED BY BSNC

BSNC’s second annual Young Provider Award was presented to Tinisha Dan of Stebbins and Jaylen Gologergen of Nome. The award honors young people who contribute to healthy, sustainable communities by caring for Elders and youth, providing subsistence foods, active involvement in activities that benefit communities in our region and serving as role models in maintaining our traditional activities and values. Congratulations to Tinisha and Jaylen!

BSNC opens up its Anchorage lobby to Alaska Native artists who seek to sell their arts and crafts. This summer, an artist informed BSNC shareholder relations and receptionist Leila Smith, who is also a BSNC shareholder, of a painting of her “downtown at the Haist Gallery.” After work that day, Leila rushed to the gallery to find a painting of herself featured. Many years ago, Leila remembers an artist asking if she could take her photo at Fur Rondy. The artist went on to use that photo to paint her likeness. The gallery owner had been trying to find Leila for five years.