JOIN US IN COMMEMORATING 50 YEARS
OF A MISSION BEYOND BUSINESS

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Saturday, Oct. 1, 2022, at 10 a.m.
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Nome, Alaska 99762

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BSNC PRESIDENT & CEO
GAIL R. SCHUBERT TO JOIN ALASKA
BUSINESS HALL OF FAME

The Alaska Business Hall of Fame has announced its selection of BSNC President & CEO Gail R. Schubert as a Laureate Inductee. Under her leadership, revenues have grown from $14 million in fiscal year 2003 to $543 million in fiscal year 2022. In the last decade alone, BSNC distributed $48 million in shareholder benefits, representing 82.8% of all benefits paid to BSNC shareholders since the Company was incorporated in 1972.

Schubert is Iñupiaq and was born and raised in Unalakleet, Alaska. In addition to serving as President and CEO of BSNC, she serves on the boards of the Alaska Federation of Natives, Alaska Native Justice Center, ANCSA Regional Association, Commonwealth North, the Iditarod, Native American Contractors Association and the University of Alaska Foundation Investment Committee.

She is an ATHENA Society awardee, recipient of the Northwest Indian Bar Association’s Unsung Hero Award and YWCA Alaska/BP Women of Achievement Awardee for her leadership and excellence in her professional and personal endeavors as well as her contributions to the larger community.

Schubert has served on the BSNC Board of Directors since 1992, was hired as Executive Vice President and General Counsel in 2003 and was promoted to CEO in 2009. She became BSNC’s President the following year. Prior to joining BSNC, Schubert practiced law in Anchorage after a successful career on Wall Street, where she worked at the Federal Reserve Bank of New York and two Wall Street law firms. She earned an undergraduate degree from Stanford University, a Master of Business Administration from Cornell University’s Johnson School of Management with an emphasis in accounting and finance, and a Juris Doctorate from the Cornell University School of Law.

In 1987, Junior Achievement of Alaska, Inc. began the Alaska Business Hall of Fame to honor outstanding Alaska business people. Since then, the Hall of Fame has become one of the state’s most prestigious events, inducting new Laureates annually. Congratulations, Gail!

BSNC ANNOUNCES 2022 SHAREHOLDER
AND ELDER DIVIDENDS

SHAREHOLDER DIVIDEND
The Bering Straits Native Corporation (BSNC) Board of Directors has declared a record-high dividend of $10.25 per share, a 7.9% increase over the 2021 shareholder dividend. This distribution will be paid by Dec. 31 to shareholders (on record as of Nov. 28) through the Beringia Settlement Trust and is not taxable. Shareholders who own an average of 100 shares of stock will receive $1,025.

“BSNC is pleased to provide this record-high dividend to its shareholders,” said BSNC President and CEO Gail R. Schubert. “BSNC’s resilience and growth is founded on our Board’s commitment to our mission and our shareholders. Quyaana for your continued support and involvement in your Corporation.”

The total 2022 dividend distribution will be approximately $6.5 million. Since 1972, BSNC has distributed $47.5 million in dividends.

There are many benefits that come with being a BSNC shareholder or descendant, including eligibility to receive scholarships from the Beringia Settlement Trust, and hire preference for qualified shareholders, descendants and shareholder spouses. In addition to these benefits, BSNC provides Shareholder Bereavement Assistance in the amount $2,500 to help defray the cost of funeral expenses for an original BSNC shareholder, a lineal descendent of an original BSNC shareholder, or the spouse of a living original BSNC shareholder.

ELDER DIVIDEND
The BSNC Board of Directors has voted to declare a 2022 Elder dividend of $1,500. This Elder dividend will be paid to original BSNC shareholders who are 65 years of age or older on the record date of Nov. 7. This distribution will be paid by Dec. 31 through the BSNC Beringia Settlement Trust and is not taxable. Since 1972, BSNC has distributed $10.5 million in Elder dividends.

“The BSNC Board and Management are very thankful for the support we have received from our Elder shareholders,” said BSNC President and CEO Gail R. Schubert. “We are pleased to honor our Elders with this dividend.”

Checks will be mailed or direct deposited. Receive your dividend sooner by signing up for direct deposit by visiting the MyBSNC shareholder portal at https://shareholder.bsnc.net/home. Shareholders are requested to sign up for direct deposit by Nov. 7. If you wish to receive a check in the mail, please make sure your address on file is up to date.
Dear Shareholders,

I hope each of you had a good summer and early fall, spending time outdoors with family and friends. Autumn is traditionally a busy time of engaging in subsistence activities in preparation for the coming winter season.

I am pleased to welcome Isaiah (Ike) Towarak to the BSNC Board of Directors. Ike was appointed to fill the Board seat previously held by the late Henry Ivanoff Sr. Ike, who resides in Unalakleet, will serve the remainder of the late Chairman Ivanoff’s term until the 2023 Annual Meeting election. Ike was selected from a pool of 26 applicants, the highest number of applicants ever to apply to serve on the BSNC Board. I am confident Ike’s familiarity with our region’s cultural values and his rural business experience will provide valuable perspective as BSNC continues to grow in pursuit of its mission to improve the quality of life of Our People through economic development while protecting our land and preserving our culture and heritage.

The BSNC Board of Directors declared a record-high 2022 dividend of $10.25 per share, a 7.9% increase over the 2021 shareholder dividend. The Board also voted to declare a 2022 Elder dividend of $1,500. This Elder dividend will be paid to original BSNC shareholders who are 65 years of age or older on the record date of Nov. 7. These distributions will be paid by Dec. 31 through the BSNC Beringia Settlement Trust and are not taxable.

Many residents may have heard about IPOP, LLC’s, proposed mining project in Safety Sound. BSNC cares deeply about protecting Our People’s spiritual, physical and cultural well-being through our sacred connection with the land. The Safety Sound/Bonanza Channel estuary is an important area for Our physical and cultural well-being through our sacred connection with the land.

BSNC announced its endorsement of U.S. Senator Lisa Murkowski for reelection to the United States Senate. Sen. Murkowski is considered the leading expert in Congress on Arctic policy and polar affairs. Sen. Murkowski works to raise awareness amongst her colleagues on Capitol Hill that the U.S. — because of Alaska—is an Arctic nation. She has worked hard to represent all Alaskans, working diligently on issues important to our state—responsible natural resource development, protecting our subsistence lifestyle and growing a stronger military presence in Alaska.

I encourage shareholders and descendants of voting age to exercise their right to elect a candidate of their choice and to vote. Every vote counts, and Alaska Native representation matters. No matter whom you personally support in the upcoming elections, I hope you make your voice heard by casting your vote this fall.

I am pleased to share that BSNC will host its Annual Meeting of Shareholders in person on Saturday, Oct. 1, at 10 a.m. in Nome, Alaska, at the Nome Recreation Center, 208 E. 6th Ave. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, BSNC has not been able to host the Annual Meeting in person since 2019. I look forward to seeing and meeting with shareholders and descendants who reside in the Nome area.

In closing, I am saddened to share the passing of former Board Director Percy Nayokpuk. Percy was elected to the BSNC Board in 1985 and served for 30 years on the Board. Percy was first a family man, and then a successful businessman. He will be remembered as an active and dedicated community member who valued and practiced our subsistence way of life. Percy passed away on Aug. 2, 2022.

Please continue to look after yourselves and your families. Thank you for your continued support and involvement in your Corporation.

Quyaana,
Gail R. Schubert
BSNC President and CEO

BSNC BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Lee Ryan
Chairman
Deborah Atuk
Treasurer
Becka Baker
Director
Louie Green, Jr.
Director
Gail R. Schubert
President and CEO
Steve Ivanoff
Assistant Secretary
Jason Evans
Director
Fred Sagoonick
Director
Cindy Towarak Massie
Vice Chair
Roy Ashenfelter
Assistant Treasurer
Robert Evans
Director
Isaiah Towarak
Director
Eugene Asicksik
Secretary
Ella Anagick
Director
Charles Fagerstrom
Director

HISTORICAL SPOTLIGHT:
THE QARĠI/QASĠIQ

The qarġi (Iñupiaq) or qasġiq (Yupiit) is known as a men’s house but was also used as a community gathering place. The purpose of the qarġi/qasġiq was to educate and train the young men/boys to become skilful in different trades, survival and/or hunting, as well as a place to provide life lessons. Historically, the men’s house accommodated all the men and boys 7 years and older. The women/girls would bring food to the men’s house and in the evenings, gather there for traditional singing, dancing and festivals. It served as a ceremonial and spiritual place for Our People where culture was celebrated. It also served as a schoolhouse and traditional workshop and official business was also conducted between individuals, the village and with other villages or groups of people.

THE AGLUKTUK
**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 security number, date of birth and new address to:

Print name: ____________________________________________________________

New mailing address: ____________________________________________________________________________________________

City: __________________________ State: __________ ZIP: __________

Social security number: __________________________

Date of birth: __________________________

Contact phone number: __________________________

Email address: __________________________

If applicable, I am a custodian for: _________________________________________________________________

Signature: ____________________________________________________________

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: _________________________________________________________________

Form former name: _________________________________________________________________

Social security number: __________________________

Date of birth: __________________________

Signature: ____________________________________________________________

Date: __________________________

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**BERING STRAITS NATIVE CORPORATION**

**ALASKA STATUTE 13.16.705(b) STOCK 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 and ____________________________ corporation to:

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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 __________________________, this _____ day of ______________, 20_____.

City ____________________________________________________________

State ____________________________________________________________

Signature of Testator________________________________________________

Notary Public or Postmaster ________________________________________

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

State of: __________________________

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Dated at __________________________, this _____ day of ______________, 20_____.

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Signature of Testator________________________________________________

Notary Public or Postmaster ________________________________________

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

State of: __________________________

**MAIL COMPLETED FORM TO**

Bering Straits Native Corporation

P.O. Box 1908

Nome, Alaska 99762

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

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**MISSING SHAREHOLDERS**

BSNC continues to search for shareholders who may have funds on hold and attempts to 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. If you know the whereabouts of someone listed, please contact BSNC’s Shareholder Department at shareholders@beringstraits.com or call (907) 443-4303 or (907) 443-8110. If you have been contacted by the Shareholder Department, please respond to their requests because you may be entitled to a dividend distribution. Help BSNC ensure that all shareholders receive their dividends.

**SHAREHOLDERS ADDRESSES NEEDED**

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Are you receiving important mailings from BSNC, including newsletters and dividends? It is important for shareholders to 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 above.
BSNC NAMES KIM CUNNINGHAM AS CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

BSNC is pleased to announce the hire of Kim Cunningham as Chief Financial Officer (CFO). Cunningham joins BSNC from NANA Regional Corporation (NANA), where she served as Senior Vice President and CFO for the corporation and its wholly-owned subsidiary, NANA Development Corporation (now Sivu, LLC).

“Kim is a welcome addition to our Executive Team,” said BSNC President and CEO Gail R. Schubert. “She brings solid Alaska Native regional corporation accounting and finance experience to BSNC, and a strong track record of achievement. I am confident that she will work well with BSNC’s accounting and finance team leaders as she takes the helm as Chief Financial Officer. We are excited about the continued corporate growth and shareholder development opportunities under her leadership.”

At BSNC, Cunningham will be responsible for overseeing all accounting activities, financial strategy and managing and reporting all finance-related activities for the company. Cunningham joins BSNC with 20 years of Alaska Native corporation leadership experience. She joined NANA in 2012 as its Senior Director of Finance for Natural Resources. Prior to joining NANA, Cunningham worked at CIRI for nearly 10 years as its Director of Tax before being promoted to Senior Director of Lands and Resources.

Cunningham began her career in public accounting at KPMG, LLP, an international public accounting firm, where she worked with a variety of clients across many industries, gaining valuable technical skills and expertise in business, governmental, nonprofit and Alaska Native corporations.

Cunningham is a CPA and holds undergraduate degrees in both accounting and finance. She earned a Master of Science in Information Processing and Communication from Montana State University. She currently serves as the chair of the Student Assistance Foundation and its audit committee, and is a board member of the Montana Higher Education Student Assistance Corporation and serves as treasurer for the Alaska Association of Professional Landmen. She is a member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and the Council of Petroleum Accountants Society.

BOARD VOTES TO INCREASE MONTHLY STOCK WILL PRIZE

We are pleased to announce that the BSNC Board of Directors voted to increase the monthly stock will prize from $200 to $500! Please visit www.beringstraits.com/shareholders/forms or call (907) 443-5252 to update your stock will today.

Having a stock will on file with BSNC lets you decide who will inherit your stock after your death. If you pass away without a stock will, your BSNC stock must be distributed according to state law and may be distributed to individuals you do not intend to benefit. Not having a stock will on file also slows down the stock inheritance process for your heirs.

REGISTERED BSNC DESCENDANTS CAN NOW CREATE A MYBSNC PROFILE

BSNC is pleased to share that registered descendants can now create a MyBSNC profile and are encouraged to do so to participate in the Talent Bank and the optional Shareholder-Owned Businesses Registry! By registering, descendants will have access to a MyBSNC profile and will receive important news and information about descendant benefits.

The BSNC descendant registry is for lineal descendants or adoptees of BSNC original shareholders and is required to: (1) ensure descendants receive important news and updates from BSNC and (2) verify eligibility for certain programs that are limited to original shareholders and direct lineal descendants of original shareholders. Submitted information will be kept confidential and will only be used for BSNC purposes. Please note that registration does not give a descendant voting rights or stock.

DESCEDANT BENEFITS
• Summer Internship Program
• Recreational and subsistence land use
• Hiring and employment preference for those who meet the minimum qualifications of a job
• Scholarships from the Beringia Settlement Trust Scholarship program
• Shareholder-Owned Businesses Registry
• Talent Bank
• Bereavement assistance

The BSNC Talent Bank is available for shareholders and descendants to share information with BSNC on their talent, abilities, skills, work experience, education and other workforce-related information. BSNC will use this stored talent profile information for targeted outreach.

BSNC’s Shareholder-Owned Businesses Registry shares information on shareholder and descendant owned businesses with the greater community and encourages the support of these businesses.

Learn more and register for the Descendant Registry at: www.beringstraits.com/descendants. Already registered? Create a MyBSNC profile today at: shareholder.bsnc.net/home.

For questions, please contact the Shareholder Development Department at: Shdevelopment@bsnc.net.
BSNC CELEBRATES THE SIGNING OF HOUSE BILL 123

BSNC President and CEO Gail R. Schubert joined Alaska Native leaders and government officials to celebrate the historic signing of House Bill 123, an act providing for state recognition of Alaska’s 229 federally recognized tribes.

"Tribal recognition in Alaska’s legal code is an important first step toward building a stronger and healthier Alaska," said BSNC President and CEO Gail R. Schubert. "Together, Alaska Native corporations and tribes work for the benefit of Our People. As Alaska Native corporations, our mandate under the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act (ANCSA) is to benefit Alaska Native people through our unique social missions. Our tribal rights were bifurcated by the federal government. Tribes have sovereign status, while ANCSA corporations own Native lands. House Bill 123 is an important first step in building a positive, government-to-government relationship between the State of Alaska and Alaska’s tribes."

BSNC MOURNS THE PASSING OF FORMER BOARD DIRECTOR PERCY NAYOKPUK

BSNC mourns the unexpected passing of former BSNC Board Director Percy Nayokpuk. Percy was elected to the BSNC Board in 1985 and served for 30 years on the Board.

Percy was an active and dedicated community member who valued and practiced our subsistence way of life. He also spent many years marketing Native art at the Alaska Federation of Natives annual convention.

Percy was born and raised in Shishmaref and attended the University of Alaska, where he studied business administration. In 1980, he began working as Assistant Manager of Nayokpuk General Store and later became the owner and General Manager. He formerly served as the Mayor of Shishmaref and as past President of the Shishmaref Native Corporation. He will be remembered as an active and dedicated community member who valued and practiced our subsistence way of life. Percy passed away on Aug. 2, 2022.

BOOK COLLECTION

The Bering Strait region has a rich history. In documenting this knowledge, BSNC has collected a wide variety of books written by shareholders, descendants and others about the history of our region, Our People and our lifestyle. The collection of books contains information on ivory carving, survival, the Gold Rush days, hunting, subsisting and historical and cultural stories of our beautiful region. A language dictionary of one of the dialects spoken in the region is also included. Please be advised that some of the books may be hard to come by but most can be purchased online. If you know of any other books that should be added to this list, please email media@beringstraits.com. For more information, go to www.beringstraits.com/book-collection

Books by shareholders and descendants:
1. Dark Traffic: Poems by Joan Naviyuk Kane
2. Eskimo Legends by Lela Kiana Oman
3. Grandfather of Unakleet lineage of Atuyagnak by Emily (Ticasuk) Ivanoff Brown
4. Hyperboreal by Joan Naviyuk Kane
5. Igaluamiutulluq (A Qawairaq Igaluik Iñupiat Dictionary) by Roy Agloinga, Luann Harrelson, Steven Agloinga and Agnes Komakhuk
6. Irigak by Amber Cunningham
7. Irigak II: Maverick Seizes the Land by Amber Cunningham
8. Jesus and the Eskimos by Fred Savok
9. Menadelook: An Inupiat Teacher’s Photographs of Alaska Village Life, 1907-1922 by Eileen Norbert
10. Milk Black Carbon by Joan Naviyuk Kane
11. Open the Dark by Marie Tozier
12. Our Fur-fathers of Southwest Alaska by Bev Sims and Dianne Zitnik
13. People of Kauwerak: Legends of the Northern Eskimo by William A. Oguluik and Laurel L. Bland
14. Salt & Roses by Buffy McKay
15. Tales of Ticasuk Eskimo Legends and Stories by Emily (Ticasuk) Ivanoff Brown
16. The Cormoran Hunter’s Wife by Joan Naviyuk Kane
17. The Epic of Qayaq: The Longest Story Ever Told by My People by Lela Kiana Oman
18. The Longest Story Ever Told: Qayaq, The Magical Man by Emily (Ticasuk) Ivanoff Brown
19. The Red Dragonfly from Alaska by Gertie Ann
20. The Roots of Ticasuk: Legends of the Northern Eskimo by William A. Oguluik and Laurel L. Bland
21. Stor from Alaska by Gertie Ann
22. The Winter Walk: A Century-Old Survival Story from the Arctic by Loretta Outwater Cox
23. Under the Arctic Sun: The Life and Times of Frank and Ada Degnan by Frances Ann Degnan

SHAREHOLDER NEWS

MONTHLY STOCK WILL DRAWING WINNERS

Mail in your updated stock will today and be entered into a drawing to win $500! Having a stock will on file with BSNC lets you decide who will inherit your stock after your death. If you pass away without a stock will, your BSNC stock must be distributed according to state law and may be distributed to individuals you do not intend to benefit.

Please visit www.beringstraits.com/shareholders/forms or call (907) 443-5252 to update your stock will today.

May: Alicyn Bahnke
June: Maggie Miller
July: Erwin Tucker
BSNC hired eight interns for its 2022 Summer Internship Program. The internship program provides interns valuable experience in the workplace and training/workshops on BSNC’s corporate business structure and history, the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, good mentoring with Alaska Native leaders and education on Alaska Native policy issues in addition to many others.

BSNC SHAREs A NEW VIDEO IN ITS EDUCATIONAL VIDEO SERIES TITLED MAZZAQ TIGITTUAQ

The land has provided a livelihood for Our People for many centuries. Today our land continues to provide an abundance of nutritional plants and berries with vital carbohydrates, vitamins and minerals that sustain us year-round. The knowledge of how to harvest, prepare and preserve these medicinal and nutritional plants and berries have been passed down from generation to generation.

Learn about traditional plants from BSNC shareholder and culture-bearer Marilyn Kozena-Irelan. Marilyn and her family are originally from King Island. Marilyn is a fluent speaker of Iñupiaq in the King Island dialect. She was taught by her mother about many plants that are traditionally gathered. BSNC thanks Marilyn for sharing her traditional knowledge for this video. BSNC’s educational series titled Mazzaq Tigittuaq, Iñupiaq for “sunrise,” celebrates the culture and knowledge of Our People. To watch the video, go to Bering Straits Native Corporation’s YouTube page or https://beringstraits.com/cultural-initiatives.

BSNC shareholder Amber Ongtowasruk interned in the HR Department. She recently graduated from AVTEC in Seward, where she received Accounting Specialist and Administrative Assistant certificates. After the internship, she plans to continue working toward earning a bachelor’s degree in accounting. Ongtowasruk’s traditional name is Ublugiaq. She is from Wales and Nome. Her parents are Ron and Gerri Ongtowasruk and her grandparents are Patrick Ongtowasruk, Arlene Soxie and James and Vivien Olin.

BSNC shareholder Avery Hansell was a proposals intern. Hansell is attending the University of Alaska Anchorage to attain an Associate of Applied Science. Afterward, he plans on applying for the Physical Therapy Assistant program. Hansell’s Iñupiaq name is Quqiqrup. He is Iñupiaq and Yup’ik and was born and raised in Anchorage and Kodiak. His family is part of the Malamute tribe in Nome and Shaktoolik. His parents are Ann Asickiskil and Jeffery Hansell and his grandparents are Kipi and Paul Asicksik Sr. and Jerry and Sue Hansell.

BSNC shareholder Jessica Davis interned in the Accounting Department. Davis is currently working on an accounting degree at Harding University. Originally from Unalakleet, Davis has lived in Sitka for the past 13 years. Her parents are Jack and Jennifer Davis and her grandparents are Chuck and Virginia Degnan.

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BSNC shareholder Marilyn “Sunikiaq” Moore interned in the Media and Communications Department. Moore is from Golovin and Elim. Her mother, Susan Dexter, is from Golovin and her father, Timothy Moore, is from Elim. Her maternal grandmother, Maria Dexter, is from White Mountain and her paternal grandfather, Joe Dexter, is from Nome. Her paternal grandmother, Jeri Nagaruk, is from Albuquerque, New Mexico, and her late paternal grandfather, Lincoln Moore, is from Elim. She is currently attending the University of Alaska Anchorage, where she is pursuing a degree in social work.

BSNC shareholder Sierra Musgrove interned in the Legal Department. She is currently residing on Iñupiat lands in Ugalalitq (Unalakleet). Her traditional name is Arnacuk. Her grandparents are Linda and Clarence (Junie) Towarak. She is currently a sophomore at Washington State University in Pullman, Washington (On Palúspam and Nimiipuu land), pursuing a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science. After completing her undergraduate education, she plans on attending law school.

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BSNC shareholder Kylie Evans interned in the HR Department. Evans is from Nome. Her parents are Dave Evans and Lucille Sands and her grandparents are Laura Evans and Robert Evans and Dolly Kugruk and Glenn Carter. She will be attending Texas Lutheran University to pursue a degree in sociology. Currently, she is finishing her Associate of Arts degree from the University of Alaska Anchorage. She plans to return to the region after completing her education and work for Our People.

BSNC shareholder Marilyn “Sunikiaq” Moore interned in the Media and Communications Department. Moore is from Golovin and Elim. Her mother, Susan Dexter, is from Golovin and her father, Timothy Moore, is from Elim. Her maternal grandmother, Maria Dexter, is from White Mountain and her paternal grandfather, Joe Dexter, is from Nome. Her paternal grandmother, Jeri Nagaruk, is from Albuquerque, New Mexico, and her late paternal grandfather, Lincoln Moore, is from Elim. She is currently attending the University of Alaska Anchorage, where she is pursuing a degree in social work.

BSNC shareholder Sierra Musgrove interned in the Legal Department. She is currently residing on Iñupiat lands in Ugalalitq (Unalakleet). Her traditional name is Arnacuk. Her grandparents are Linda and Clarence (Junie) Towarak. She is currently a sophomore at Washington State University in Pullman, Washington (On Palúspam and Nimiipuu land), pursuing a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science. After completing her undergraduate education, she plans on attending law school.
SHAREHOLDER SPOTLIGHT:
MYRTLE FAGERSTROM

When BSNC shareholder Myrtle Fagerstrom retired from a long and successful management career in the airline industry in 2018, managing a busy hotel operation was the last thing she could have imagined doing. Nonetheless, within a year of retiring, Fagerstrom, who thrives under pressure, was back at work for Norton Sound Health Corporation when BSNC Vice President of Shareholder Development Lucille Sands reached out to her in July 2019 to ask if she would consider taking on the role of General Manager of the Aurora Inn and Suites in Nome.

“You’re not checking in passengers; you are checking in people,” said Fagerstrom. “In a way, it’s similar. In the airline industry, you work at a fast pace every day. You learn a lot about logistics. It takes a certain kind of personality to work under pressure and think quickly on your feet to fix problems. It’s been really stressful managing the hotel during the COVID-19 pandemic. Stress has always been a part of my job, and I think that’s why even when I get tired, I don’t give up.”

Fagerstrom was born and raised in Golovin and attended Covenant High School in Unalakleet, where she lived until 1993. Upon graduating from high school, her first job was as an Office Manager for the Seward Peninsula Flying Service. She then took a brief professional break to be a mother. She later worked at HeadStart and then returned to work for Ravn Alaska, where she worked as a Station Manager until her first retirement on Aug. 31, 2018.

Fagerstrom has excelled at managing the hotel during a challenging time for the hospitality industry. She has taken on more challenging aspects of the position, including working the night shift.

“When my dad died when I was 9 years old, I knew what he wanted for me and he never would have wanted me to give up,” said Fagerstrom. “My dream was to become a pilot, but I married young and started a family. My advice to young people is to go for your goals. If you have the opportunity to go and do something that you want to do, go for it. Just remember that there are consequences for every decision that you make. If you know something you do is good, there will be good outcomes. If you do something bad, you know there are bad consequences. And every day is a new day. Just because today was a bad day does not mean tomorrow will be a bad one.”

Fagerstrom and her husband have a total of nine children and more than 20 grandchildren. In her free time, she enjoys berry-picking, sitting by the fire at camp, being outside, being with family and visiting family in Golovin. Family and subsistence are important to her. She is one of seven siblings. Her parents were Floyd and Alice Fagerstrom of Golovin.

“I enjoy building positive relationships with my employees,” said Fagerstrom. “It’s a challenging job, but you have to have the right mentality. You have to have that strong sense of responsibility that you can’t give up. Even when I have a bad day, I can’t let my employees down because they work just as hard. My office door is open all the time.”

The Aurora Inn typically has 18 employees and is hiring. Apply by visiting BSNC’s careers page at www.beringstraits.com/careers.

BSNC BOARD APPOINTS ISAIAH (IKE) TOWARAK TO FILL VACANT SEAT

At a BSNC Board of Directors meeting held on Aug. 9, 2022, Isaiah (Ike) Towarak was appointed to fill the Board seat previously held by the late Henry Ivanoff Sr.

Towarak retired from the Unalakleet Valley Electric Cooperative (UVEC) in 2012 after 32 years of service and currently serves as Interim City Administrator for the City of Unalakleet. He is a Director on the UVEC Board, current member of the Norton Sound Economic Development Corporation (NSEDC) Finance Committee and previously served on the board of Siu Alaska Corporation, an NSEDC subsidiary. He earned a bachelor’s degree in business accounting from Seattle Pacific University. Towarak was born and raised in Unalakleet and is the son of the late Clarence and Guerie Towarak. He has two children and one grandchild.

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Subsistence living video contest

DEADLINE: SEPT. 30, 2022

BSNC shareholders, descendants and their family members are invited to share short videos of their subsistence activities throughout the summer. Subsistence activities are integral to who we are in the Bering Strait region. Email your videos to photos@bsnc.net or send a message to BSNC’s Facebook with your name, a short description of the activity and location by Sept. 30, 2022, and be entered to win one of the following prizes!

Prizes:
• 4-inch mesh – 50-fathom gillnet (bought from Norton Sound Seafood Products)
• 2 crab pots
• $200 gift cards – one for each month (July, August and September)
• Ice auger
• Ice fishing tent
• Chainsaw
• Fishing rod and reel

Contestants must be shareholders or descendants/family members of shareholders. All videos submitted for this contest may be used in BSNC-produced videos, social media and website posts. Help us celebrate our unique lifestyle through your videos.