



BERING STRAITS NATIVE CORPORATION AGLUKTUK

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Old Federal Building receives a new name

Bering Straits Native Corporation (BSNC) celebrated the opening of its new offices and renaming the Old Federal Building to the BSNC Building on March 9. Speeches, a ribbon cutting ceremony, Inupiaq singing by the Nome Native Youth Leadership Organization, fry bread and beverages were all enjoyed at the open house celebration.

Nome Mayor Denise Michels praised BSNC for the good work put into the remodel and reminisced when she was employed by BSNC in its former building.

BSNC sold its Seppala Drive building to Kawerak in June 2004 and made the decision to move into its property on Front Street. With the sale of the old building, BSNC has been able to consolidate office space and do business in a convenient location. BSNC moved into its new offices in November 2004.



2nd Vice President Charles Johnson, Chairman Henry Ivanoff, Mayor Denise Michels and President Tim Towarak cut the ribbon at the BSNC Building open house as Bob Gilley watches the excitement.

Bering Straits Development Company (BSDC), a subsidiary company of BSNC, owns and remodeled the 3rd floor offices into first-class office space. BSNC now has a beautiful working

environment with a spacious board room and reception area. The BSNC Building has an elevator, which makes easier access for the elderly and disabled people.

Bering Straits Native Corporation Notice of Annual Meeting of Shareholders

Saturday, October 1, 2005 at 10:00 a.m.

TO BE HELD IN NOME, ALASKA

At the Mini-Convention Center

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 current address, telephone number and a resume listing qualifications to:

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

IMPORTANT- all Letters of Intent must be received by the BSNC office by 5:00 p.m., June 6, 2005.



BSNC Greetings

Tim Towarak,
BSNC President/CEO

As spring begins its annual thaw and rebirth of the Seward Peninsula, Bering Straits Native Corporation's (BSNC) operations are also experiencing rejuvenation and growth. After a long and cold winter, sprinkled with a few warm days, it is a pleasure to see spring arrive in our homeland. So too is it a pleasure to report to you that the hard work and dedication of BSNC staff and the Board is finally being rewarded, and we expect that BSNC should report a decent profit from operations. Your annual report will be reaching you sometime this summer, before our annual meeting in October, to verify that BSNC is once again experiencing growth and profitability.

Although BSNC is finally experiencing a satisfactory year, the Board and staff feel we still have a long way to go before we can consider ourselves to be completely out of the "long and cold winter" of our past. We have a huge historical deficit to overcome before we can call ourselves successful. We have potential future settlements with village corporations, which are currently holding BSNC subsurface real estate in lieu of receiving full payment from BSNC. We also need to focus on re-establishing the strong liquidity and cash position we had

prior to the recent stock market losses, and the huge payment we had to make to the IRS, all within the last three years. These are just some of the hurdles your current Board and staff are trying to overcome to bring BSNC back to "square one." Although we are not completely there, having a good year like we did this year brings BSNC much closer to being the successful and profitable operation we are working toward.

Regardless of the many ups and downs we have experienced together through our corporation, we have every reason to feel optimistic about the future. As we have mentioned in the past, the gold is maintaining a price of around \$400 per ounce. Besides Rock Creek and other areas around Nome, our other subsurface properties in the region around Solomon, Council, White Mountain and towards Teller/Mary's Igloo, all have potential resource development. Along with that, the many airport and road construction projects, the construction of new consolidated tank farms throughout our region, and projects like the Nome Harbor project, all require subsurface materials which will be purchased from BSNC. Our capable Land Department, made up of Matt Ganley and Irene

Anderson, is working hard for BSNC in this area of development. The Land Committee for BSNC is one of our most active committees that spearhead all of our land and resource development.

In addition to our resource development, our federal contracts are continuing to grow and show more returns; our hotel the Aurora Inn (with the purchase of the Ponderosa Inn giving us more rooms to rent) is the "best hotel in Nome" and is showing increased revenue; BSNC's strategic move of its offices into the BSNC Building (formally the Old Federal Building)

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has enabled that operation to show a profit, *and* also puts our regional headquarters right in the middle of the business district of Front Street; and our apartments are showing full capacity and with the conversion of the Aurora Executive Suites into long term rentals, are also producing larger returns. All of this is being handled by the same number of people, except the need for more accounting staff, which reflects the added work load. Life should be good.

We appreciate the shareholders' patience as we work hard in making our corporation more successful. With spring on us, summer can't be very far.

Do you have news to share?

The Bering Straits Native Corporation publishes the Agluktuk for its shareholders. Whenever possible, we would like to include articles on our shareholders and Village Corporations. If you have information you would like to share, please email kimberly@beringstraits.com. Please include your name and telephone number in order for us to verify the information and/or to contact you for clarification.

DO YOU KNOW WHERE ANY OF THESE SHAREHOLDERS ARE?

Abloogalook, Reuben M	Eakon, Christina	Iyahuk, Bernadette R	Maldonado, Marjorie	Paneok, John L	Teegardin, Mary A
Acoman Jr, Kenneth L	Elachik, Jonathan	Iyapana Jr, John	Mandan, Pamela J	Pannick, Judith L	Testu, Mitchell L
Ahlstrand, Jacquelyn M	Ellanna, Mischa	Iyapana, Romeo K	Marco, Lisa M	Pattison, Edward A	Testu, Roger L
Alurac Jr, John P	Ellsworth, Lorena S	Iyapana, Jessica L	Martin, Ruth E	Payenna, Gabriel J	Testu, Michael J
Amarok, Andrew A	Ernak II, Frederick E	Iyapana, Curtis J	Martin, Loanne J	Payne, Jamie M	Tetpon, John F
Amarok, Frank D	Ervin, Lee A		May, Michael P	Pearsall, Kenneth E	Tetpon Jr, Eric J
Anderson, Jean M	Eskeldson, Steven D	Jack, Hazel N	McCafferty, Sandra A	Peck, Duane A	Tetpon, Warren C
Anderson, Ethel K	Etukeok, Lawrence C	Jackson, Dawn	McCormack, Peggy L	Pederson, Evelyn K	Thomas, Lilly L
Andrews Jr, Barton J	Evak I, Brenda C	Jackson, Rae	McJunkin, Sharon M	Penetac, Anthony	Thrasher, Luke M
Andrews, Euzabeth J	Evan, Thelma E	Jackson, Wanda L	Melland Jr, Douglas	Perry, Valerie K	Tocktoo, Bill F
Angnaboogok Jr, Roland	Ezukameow, Randy C	Jackson, Ebba M	Mendenhall, Eli S	Phillips, Bessie J	Topkok, Jeffery F
Anungazuk, Shirley K	Ezukameow, Fred R	Jager, Christalina J	Merculief, Nina P	Phillips, Jessie M	Torsen, Mary L
Arca, Penelope L		Johnson, Teresa A	Merito, Marie D	Polaretzke, Stella	Trader, Anthony S
Armstrong Jr, Frederick	Faglie, Mamie	Jordan Jr, William A	Miller, Janet C	Pootoogooluk, Gilbert	Trantham, Jean N
Arnold, Crista L	Felder, Rita E		Milligrock, Crystal A	Prieto, Ramona G	Truesdell, Lucinda J
Attatayuk, Reuben	Ferry, Maggie S	Kakaruk, Richard D	Mogg, John J	Pungowiyi, Bryce A	Tungwenuk Jr, Thomas L
	Finley III, George E	Kakaruk, Belinda M	Mogg, Gerald D	Pungowiyi, Clarissa N	Turner, Heather M
Bahnke Jr, Robert S	Finley Jr, George E	Kakaruk Jr, Frederick	Moore, Stella A	Punguk, Timothy	
Baldwin, Gladys	Finley, Brian K	Katexac, Romald K	Mosquito, Rose M	Pushruk, Kristy A	Valdez, Carolyn
Bames, Jeanne	Flynn, Paul S	Katongan, Laverne C	Mosquito Jr, Roger		Vanderpool, Rory P
Beltz, Thomas C	Fry, Anthony L	Katulski, Victoria J	Mosquito, Murphy L	Rawling, David G	Venuto, Howard B
Benson, Darlene C		Kavairlook, Erin L	Mosquito, Frank N	Raymond, Teddy	Voelz, Michelle Mamie
Bernhardt, Sandra J	Gaul, Jeanette A	Kayoukluk, Fred A	Mosquito, Bobby F	Reynolds, Robert E	
Blankenship Jr, Dennis P	Goff, William T	Keplinger, Charlotte J	Mossburg, Eva D	Rivers, Henrietta	Wallace, Margaret
Blatchford, Jenette K	Gonangan, Collins A	Killarzoac, Margaret M	Mount, Kenneth L	Roberts, Eugene R	Walluk Jr, Roy O
Borkowski, Chelsea R	Gonangan II, Myles	Kinsley, Andrew C		Roberts, Charles L	Walston, Erma J
Bray, Radene S	Grant, Jeffery E	Kirk, Francis	Nakak, Kourakk	Rock, Flora	Walters, John C
Brodin, Floyd P	Green, Marian	Kiyutelluk, Josephine	Nakararak, Marilyn M	Rogers, Julie	Walters I, George A
Brown, Nelena L	Greene, Dusty L	Koenig, Karen L	Nashalook, Ellen K	Rose, Yvonne F	Walters, Robert J
Brown, Ronald M		Kokuluk, Will N	Nashalook, Lenora H	Ross, Charles S	Walters II, George A
Buck, Mary	Hall, Gloria J	Kokuluk, Robert B	Natonabah, Benjamin	Rudzavice III, Florie J	Walunga Jr, Frank T
Bunch, Leland P	Hanna, Katherine J	Komakhuk, Jodi L	Navarro, Christine E	Rukovishinikof, Florence P	Ward, Stacia M
Burke, Steven	Hansell, Dwayne W	Komakhuk, Ralph R	Nelson, Gerald H		Ward, Agnes L
Butler, Agnes M	Hansen, Steven L	Komakhuk, Dorothy A	Norbert, Richard I	Sanchez, Annokazooka L	Washington, Martha M
Byford, Shawn M	Harris, Sherri L	Komok, Ronald P	Norbert, Thomas H	Sanders, Jeffrey V	Wassilie, Angeline
	Hawk, Susan L	Komok, Jesse E	Nord, Buff J	Santos, Lisa M	Welch, Annie
	Hearsey, Adrenne V	Koonooka, Donna C	Nord, Michael J	Sauer, Michael S	Wetch, Glenda C
Carraher, Theresa L	Hedman, Judith A	Koozaata, Lee	Noyakue, Travis C	Savetilik, June A	Weyapuk, Leah H
Carter, Jeanette L	Heinz, Rosemary	Kost, Kathryn M	Nuglene, Arthur H	Savetilik, Gary B	Weyiouanna, Dick
Cavota, Theodore A	Henry, Ann M	Koyuk, Stella D	Nunooruk, Margaret	Savok, Ronald D	Wheeler, Martha M
Chapman III, George	Henry, Timmy L	Koyuk, Thomas A	Nunooruk, Homer K	Schambeck, Thomasina A	Wheeler, Henry C
Chapman, Oliver W	Henry Jr, John P	Koyuk, Alleyne P		Seeganna, Rosemary	White, Albert K
Chilcote, Eva	Hess, Christopher	Kur, Stanislaw	O'Brien, Thecla R	Seeganna, Frederick R	White III, William G
Chilcote, Terry A			O'Connor, George R	Seeganna, Richard A	White, Isabelle S
Cole, Robert N	Hicklin, Thomas L	Labere, Frieda C	Obrien, John	Severance, Nicholas M	White Jr, William G
Collins, Helen M	Hicklin, Joel T	Lagstrom, Neil A	Okpealuk, Simon	Shoogukwruk, Anthony L	Wilalkia, Gabriel
Conn, Betty S	Hipps, Joshua I	Larabee, Joanne	Oliver, Vicki M	Silook, Mina R	Williams, Mona
Crandall, Kevin D	Hipps, Christopher R	Larsen, Lora A	Ollom, Shirley	Sipary, Gary I	Willock, Roy N
	Hipps, Sylvia P	Larsen, Elizabeth J	Oman, Reginald L	Smith Jr, Edward L	Willock, Ingram
Davena, Robyn L	Holmberg, Langston C	Larsen, Lynette R	Omelak, Richard R	Smith, Timothy	Willock, Elsie
David, Earl J	Horton, Kathy A	Leal, Shannon M	Ongtooguk, Steven A	Sofoulis, Michael C	Willock, Thomas
De La Rosa, Margo A	Hoskins, Stanley	Leonard, Betty E	Oquilluk, Clifford S	Soolook, Anthony C	Wilson, Joseph A
Deshong, Connie L	Hubbard, Alan S	Lewis, Gail	Oquilluk, Ronald	Soosuk, Gerald L	Wilson, Lola
Dewey, Randall J	Hudson, Victoria	Lick, Mathilda	Oquilluk, Rolly N	Soosuk, Myles A	Windisch, Elizabeth
Dorn, William M	Huff, Alfred W	Lincoln-Kulukhon, Colin B	Oquilluk, David	Soxie, Leota A	Wohnoutka, Theresa
Dotomain, Eldon P	Huffman Jr, Thomas L	Lite Ra, Jennifer D	Ost, David L	Soxie, Leota A	Wright, Lucy L
Douglas, Jacy L	Huffman, Randall E	Luke, Henry W	Ost, Sandra D		
Doyle, Teresa E	Hurst, Clara R	Lupson, Lorraine	Outwater, Clayton T	R	Yokum, Elizebeth L
Drake, Dwayne P	Ione, Georgianna	Lupson, Marrie	Oxereok, Linda M	Sturdevant, Leroy W	Young, Mary J
Dunn, Anastasia M	Ivanoff, Monica M	Lupson, Lorri	Ozenna, Reuben	Swanson, Kenneth D	
	Iyahuk, Lillian M				Zaccaria, Christopher R
Eakon, Curtis J	Iyahuk, Raleigh R	Madara, Kimberly K	Paneok, Brenda M	Teayoumeak, Angel D	Zing, Micah S
Eakon, Donald G					

To update your shareholder information with BSNC please complete and send this form to BSNC, Attn. Shareholder Dept., P.O. Box 1008, Nome, AK 99762. If you know of a deceased BSNC shareholder, please advise our office.

Name: _____ New Name*: _____
 Street or Box #: _____ Apt.#: _____
 City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
 Home Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____ Message Phone: _____
 Fax #: _____ Email Address: _____ Date: _____
 Social Security #: _____ Signature: _____
 Custodian for BSNC Shareholder: _____

* For a name change, you must include the legal document for record.

BSNC Village/Regional Land Managers' Meeting

Twenty-two representatives of village corporations, seven municipal government and three tribal representatives from the BSNC region met in Nome on April 6 & 7, 2005. Presenters from the Department of Commerce, Community & Economic Development (DCCED), Bureau of Land Management (BLM), U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), Kawerak and BSNC provided information on various land issues within the region.

Training was provided on the ANCSA 14(c) requirements by Keith Jost, Ruth St. Amour, Peter MacKay and Josie Bahnke of DCCED and Allan Breitzman of BLM. Ronna Engstrom, Kawerak Village Planning Specialist, conducted a review of the Bering Straits region's Community Profile Map project and explained Site Control issues for communities. An example of using aerial photos in community planning efforts, for infrastructure as well as economic development ideas was presented by Ted Meyer, Kawerak Economic Development Planner.

"Overall the training was very

informative," said Fred Sagoonick who is the General/Land Manager for Shaktoolik Native Corporation. For several years, Shaktoolik Native Corporation has been working toward completing the 14(c)(3) reconveyance process. Information learned at this training has allowed Shaktoolik Native Corporation to move forward in submitting its Map of Boundaries to BLM.

The USDA – Rural Development staff, Leo Rasmussen & Randy Morton provided information on site control issues for home and business loan opportunities in rural Alaska.

A review of the regional land status and survey information was presented by BLM staff Tom Sparks, Joe Labay and Craig Frichtl. Ron Scherler of BLM assisted with the Sitnasuak Native Corporation survey project review.

Irene Anderson and Matt Ganley of BSNC provided information on tide & current definitions, trespass, Internet use for research of land documents, Global Positioning System use, site control for community



Teresa Sockpealuk-Perry, Harvey Sookiyak, Jessie Takak & Beverly Leonard-Taxac listening to a presentation on ANCSA 14(c).

infrastructure, use of cooperative agreement and resolutions, mineral and resource exploration processes, gravel operations and material sales. Eric Larsen of Kawerak assisted with demonstrating the use of GPS's with computer generated maps.

Agency staff provided individual sessions with the village representatives to discuss site specific issues.

The group scheduled the fall meeting to be held in Nome on September 29 & 30, 2005 prior to the BSNC Annual Meeting of Shareholders.

*~Irene Anderson,
Assistant Land Manager*



Participants of the Land Manager's Meeting: Back row: Johnson Eningowuk, Elmer Seetot, Steve Longley, Curtis Nayokpuk, Wally Otton, Josie Bahnke, Joann Katchatag, Jeanniene Fitzgeralds, Matt Ganley, Colleen Odden, Ivy Patton, Bruce Tungwenuk, Ronna Engstrom, Irene Anderson, Keith Jost & Allan Breitzman. Middle row: Lucy Kitchen, Luci Eningowuk, Virginia Washington, Beverly Leonard-Taxac, Jessie Takak, Edgar Jackson, Harvey Sookiyak, Agnes Moses, Emily Murray, Maggie Moses, Ellen Hunt & Rita Auliye. Front row: Fred Sagoonick, Gabriel Muktoyuk, George Sookiyak, Roy Ashenfelter, Barb Vial, Ted Meyer & Theresa Sockpealuk-Perry. Not pictured: William Gray, Fred Pete, Leroy Seppilu, Arthur Ahkinga, Peter McKay, Ruth St Amour, Gabriel Takak, Eric Larsen, Ken Waterman, Homer Hoogendorn, Rose Ann Timbers, Roy Agloinga, Tom Sparks, Joe Labay, Craig Frichtl, Ron Scherler, Eda Keller, Leo Rasmussen & Randy Morton.

Fairbanks Convention & Visitors Bureau Announces City-Wide Lodging Reservation System for AFN

The Fairbanks Convention and Visitors Bureau (FCVB) announced today the inauguration of its new, city-wide lodging reservation system.

Such programs are already widely in use throughout the country, enabling convention delegates to make lodging reservations in one simple step. Reservations can be made by phone call to a toll-free phone number or by going online to visit to FCVB's website.

The upcoming Alaska Federation of Natives (AFN) Convention to be held in Fairbanks on October 17-22, 2005 was the impetus for instituting the housing software. Delegates, attendees and those attending ancillary meetings, will be able to access the full range of lodging options for those dates by going online at www.explorefairbanks.com/AFN at any time or by calling 1-877-551-1728 ext. 235 from 8 am to 5 pm Monday through Friday.

Eskimo Doll Artist Dolly Spencer dies



Dolly Spencer with a few of the dolls she has made during her lifetime.

Dolly Nuguluk Spencer died at 9:30 p.m. on April 6th, at the Homer's South Peninsula Hospital with family by her side, due to complications from cancer treatment.

Dolly's recorded birth was made in Kotzebue after she was born in Deering, Alaska on March 30, 1930 to York (Poovruktowk) and Grace (Alluluck) Mendenhall. Both of her parents are from Ikpek, Alaska. She told stories of her family's subsistence lifestyle while living in the Cape Espenburg and Krusenstern area, Kotzebue, Immachuk River, and Sheshalik camps, and especially Deering where she learned to make her famous Eskimo dolls from an elder.

To escape a fixed marriage, Dolly and her mother, Allukluk, came to Nome in 1946 to have her first son, Perry T. Mendenhall. Dolly supported her son and mother at the Big Hurrah mine working as a cook and a cat skinner as needed. In Nome, she worked as a waitress and bar maid at restaurants and bars and practiced her seamstress skills in making parkas and mukluks. Robert and Linda Prout came from her first marriage with Tommy Prout, (who passed away Feb. 13th, 2005 at Emmett, Idaho). Her twins Dean and Jerry Killingrock were born February 1957 in Nome and were adopted out.

Dolly met, and married her second husband, James Arthur

Spencer II, in Teller, Alaska on October 10th, 1958. During the next 46 years, they raised Virginia, Victor and Jimmy Spencer III and lived in Wales, Fairbanks, and Glennallen before calling Homer their home in 1970. Both Jim and Dolly became dedicated Christians in 1967 while living in Glennallen and shared this life with family, friends and strangers alike by sending many care packages to them.

Dolly's many handmade portrait dolls, outfitted with parkas and paraphernalia, have gained her recognition and awards since the 1960s. In 1996, Dolly was recognized as a "master traditional artist" by the National Heritage Fellowship. Her Eskimo Doll shows allowed her to travel across the State and to the Smithsonian in 1984 to teach doll making to children and adults alike, as well as to share her Eskimo and Christian heritage at the same time. This travel also allowed her to work on her family tree, showing relatives from Unalakleet to Northwest Territory, Canada and Chukotka, Russia, as well as in the interior and lower 48. Her grand daughter, Jessica Veldstra, carries on her traditional doll sewing and hopefully some of her students will do the same. She made dolls for her children as their cultural heritage memento. One of Dolly's on-going ambitions was to have her grandmother's seal oil heart shaped lamp returned to the family from an East coast museum.

Dolly was preceded in death by her parents, York and Grace Mendenhall; brothers, Raymond, Perry, William and Collins Mendenhall; sisters, Mary Ahnangnatoguk and Dora Mulch; her son, Robert Prout; and grandson, Robert Eskilido.

Dolly is survived by her second husband of 46 years, James Arthur Spencer II; children, Perry T. (and Nancy) Mendenhall, Linda Kline, twins Dean and Jerry Killingrock, step-daughter Terry Ann Plummer, Virginia (and Nathan) Wise, Victor (and Debbie) Spencer, and Jimmy Spencer III. Each of her children will receive an Eskimo doll made by her. Dolly is survived by her grandchildren, Dan, Robin, Lesley, Frank, Eli Sigvan, Lisa, Roy, Linda, Roberta, Evelene, Jessica, Jacob, Janyce, Josiah and Matthew; and in-laws, Allen Ahnangnatoguk, Mary Ann Mendenhall and Myrna Mendenhall. Dolly had 25 great grandchildren, 2 great-great children and numerous nieces and nephews.

*~Perry Mendenhall, BSNC Board Member
and son of Dolly Spencer.*



Our Mission

dedicated to enhancing educational & cultural preservation opportunities for BSNC shareholders, their descendants, & the people of the Bering Straits region.

Bering Straits Foundation

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BSF Alumni Highlight: Lindsey Reader

Lindsey Reader, son of BSNC shareholder Stacey Green and Mary Reader, graduated from Nome-Beltz High School in 2003. During his senior year, as a member of Vocational Industrial Clubs of America (VICA), he traveled to Anchorage to participate in their statewide competition. He took first place in the small engines category, qualifying him for a \$3,000 scholarship to Denver Automotive and Diesel College (DADC) in Denver, Colorado. Lindsey left Nome for Denver in August 2003 and completed a 13-month program in Automotive Technology, graduating with high honors “Magna Cum Laude” on October 21, 2004. The Bering Straits Foundation assisted Lindsey in achieving his educational goals by providing him with a scholarship. Upon graduation from DADC, Lindsey returned home and was hired as a mechanic by the Alaska Department of Transportation vehicle maintenance shop. He is a positive role model for the younger generations of our region.

Lindsey’s favorite hobby has always been snowmachining. He says, “It is an expensive hobby and requires a lot of responsibility on my part. I have worked summers and after school since my sophomore year in high school so that I could



Lindsey Reader, rookie racer, who had the best overall time in the Nome-Golovin 200 Snowmachine Race in March 2005.

purchase my own machines, parts and gas.” Entering this years Nome-Golovin snowmachine race as a rookie, he took first place in the Class “C” division, had the best overall time of two hours 17 minutes and 54 seconds, and also received a bonus for the best rookie time. He had another great finish in the Nome Cannonball snowmachine race, finishing in second place, just two seconds behind the first place racer.

Bering Straits Foundation Donation Information

The Bering Straits Foundation relies on donations to supplement the major annual contribution of \$43,750 from Bering Straits Native Corporation. In January 2005 the board attended training to create a strategic plan.

We established our Core Purpose to:
“Build Strong and Stable Native Communities”

We also developed our Foundation’s Core Values which are:
“Education, Self Determination, Regional Strength, Sustainability”

The board also set short, mid and long term goals. We would

like to be financially able to expand our scholarship program beyond funding just full-time students. Our long-term goal (2020) is as follows:

“The Foundation will be able to fully support the growth of educational and vocational opportunities of every shareholder, descendant, or Native resident who ‘walks through our door,’ through partnerships.”

The Foundation was created by the Bering Straits Native Corporation Board of Directors in 1991 to benefit all shareholders and their descendants of the Bering Straits region. This

Foundation belongs to all of us, so please consider making a donation to the scholarship program. This semester over \$24,000 was paid to schools and colleges on behalf of 27 students. Last fall semester 65 students received scholarships totaling \$26,250.

Contributors for 2004 – 2005:

- SHOOTING STAR (\$10,000/above)**
Bering Straits Native Corporation (\$43,750)
- First Alaskans Endowment Fund (\$10,000)

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AURORA BOREALIS

(\$5,000-9,999)

Alaska Gold Company (\$5,000)

MIDNIGHT SUN

(\$2,500-4,999)

Crowley Maritime Corporation (\$4,000)

KNIK Construction (\$2,500)

Norton Sound Economic Development Corporation (\$4,000)

MOON LIGHT

(\$100-2,499)

Carolyn Crowder-in memory of Blanche Walters (\$100)

Nancy Green (\$75)

Elizabeth Gustafson (\$50)

Mark & Susan Hubert (\$25)

Clara Langton (\$500)

Caroline Reader (\$25)

Jean W. Lane ((\$100)

Aleutian/Pribilof Islands Association (\$200)

Anchorage Daily News (\$500)

Arctic Native Brotherhood (\$1,000)

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Unalakleet River Lodge (\$100)

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If you would like to make a contribution to the Bering Straits Foundation, you may send a check to:

BSF, P.O. Box 1008, Nome, AK 99762.

Funds are used to award scholarships to shareholders and descendants of shareholders of BSNC.

~Clara Langton, BSF Secretary/Treasurer

News from Nome Native Youth Leadership Organization

Members of the Nome Native Youth Leadership Organization (NNLYO) have been actively involved in two exciting projects this year. NNYLO has partnered with the Bering Sea Women's Group (BSWG) to disseminate information on preventing elder abuse.

Nome Elder, Jacob Ahwinona, met with NNYLO early this fall to help develop an informational brochure that BSWG will be publishing.

Cori Eide, Vanessa Tahbone, Alyssa Gray, Gregory Saclamana, Jessie Russell and Maddy Alvanna-Stimpfle traveled to Stebbins, St. Michael, Shaktoolik, Koyuk, Teller, Shishmaref and Wales to give presentations on elder abuse.

The students performed role plays showing examples of elder abuse: cashing elders' checks and using their money, not making sure elders have their medication, not making sure elders have food and talking back to elders. The students explained the different types of elder abuse: physical abuse, emotional abuse, neglect and abandonment and financial or material exploitation.

Finally, the members of NNYLO shared their messages that elders are the key to our past and the guiding star for our future, elders are a wealth of knowledge and wisdom to treasure, survival of our Native culture depends on respecting our elders and we must treasure our elders. NNYLO would like to



NNLYO members Taylor Booth, Marjorie Tahbone, Cori Eide, Anna Ashenfelter & Andrea Painter with the fry bread they made for the BSNC Open House.

thank all the people in the villages who welcomed them into the communities.

NNLYO continues to raise funds to help the Sitnasuak Elders Committee erect statues of Constantine Uparazuck and Gabriel Adams at Anvil City Square. Constantine and Gabriel were two young Native men involved with the Three Lucky Swedes. So far, NNYLO has raised \$12,744.00 with contributions from local organizations and individuals. If you would like to make a contribution towards the cost of the statues, contact the Native Programs at (907) 443-6197.

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To improve the quality of life of our people through economic development

BSF Scholarship Deadline

**June 30, 2005 for the fall semester
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BSNC Elects Officers

BSNC Board of Directors elected its officers for 2005. Officers are elected annually.

- Henry Ivanoff is Chairman
- Eugene Asicksik is 1st Vice President
- Charles Johnson is 2nd Vice President
- Eileen Norbert is Secretary
- Gail Schubert is Treasurer
- Homer E. Hoogendorn is Assistant Secretary/Treasurer