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CIRI descendant to attempt to summit Denali

Mission is to inspire Alaska Native youth



Denali, also known as Mount McKinley, is the tallest mountain in North America with a summit elevation of 20,320 feet (6,194 m) above sea level.

June 7, 2013 marks the hundred year anniversary of the first team to successfully reach the summit of North America's highest mountain, Denali. Hudson Stuck (Archdeacon of the Yukon) was the team leader; however, it was Walter Harper who became the first person to summit the mountain.

On June 7, a team of direct descendants from the original team, including Episcopal Bishop of Alaska Mark Lattime, will begin retracing their ancestors' steps in a centennial climb. The centennial team includes CIRI descendant Dana Wright. Wright is the direct lineal descendant of Walter Harper and son of CIRI shareholder and employee Johanna Harper.

The Denali 2013 Centennial Climb and Celebration mission is to inspire Alaska Native youth by celebrating Athabascan heroes while educating children and the broader public about the history and the accomplishments of the original climbing team.

According to the Denali 2013 Centennial Climb team, "100 years ago they climbed to draw attention to the rights of Alaska Natives. 100 years

later, we climb for the same reason and to tell their story."

The Denali Centennial Climb is free for all to follow online, in real-time beginning June 2013 at www.denali2013.org. The website currently includes educational materials and videos. The Denali Centennial Climb, website and educational materials are made possible through donations that can be made online via the Denali 2013 website.

Courtesy of the Denali Centennial Climb Committee



2013 Denali Climb team: Bishop Mark Lattime, CIRI descendant Dana Wright, Ray Schuenaman, Dan Hopkins and Ken Karstens.

The following, *Triumph to Tragedy*, is part one of a two part short story CIRI shareholder Jan Harper Haines wrote. The June 2013 *Raven's Circle* newsletter will feature part two.

TRIUMPH TO TRAGEDY

The Short Life of Walter Harper, Part 1

By Jan Harper Haines, CIRI shareholder

In March 1913, three men and two boys, led by Archdeacon Hudson Stuck left Nenana with two dog teams intent on reaching the base of Denali. One boy remained at base camp, the other returned to Nenana and the four men tackled Denali.

On June 7, Walter Harper, at age 21, became the first man in history to summit The Great Mountain.

In 1992, my husband and I visited the Evergreen cemetery in Juneau where my great uncle, Walter Harper and his bride, Frances, are buried. The markers are concrete, flat, broken and falling apart, as are many others nearby.

My mother, Jane Harper Petri, once told me that Walter was a major source of bragging material to her family. When I was a child, he was larger than life and seemed too famous to be real.

According to his sister, Margaret, "Walter had personality, scads of it. Everybody liked him. The girls were crazy about him."

My grandmother was infatuated with Walter before she married his older brother, Sam. "So why didn't she marry Walter?" I asked Mom.

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CIRI makes donation to Kenaitze Indian Tribe

Will benefit the Dena'ina Wellness Center



Members of KIT accepting CIRI's donation at the Kenai shareholder meeting.

At the 2013 Kenai shareholder information meeting, CIRI presented a check in the amount of \$50,000 to the Kenaitze Indian Tribe (KIT) as a donation toward the construction of the Dena'ina Wellness Center.

"CIRI commends the Kenaitze Indian Tribe for their vision and hard work developing the Dena'ina Wellness Center," said Sophie Minich, president and CEO of CIRI. "Many of our shareholders will benefit from the innovative, patient-focused health care the new center will deliver."

The 52,000 square-foot facility will provide integrated personal care to include medical,

CIRI donated to Kenaitze at information meeting, continued on page 7

New health care law could affect you

Potential impacts of Affordable Care Act

Beginning January 1, 2014, the Affordable Care Act requires every American to demonstrate health coverage or pay a tax penalty to the federal government. The penalty starts at \$95 per adult and \$47.50 per child in 2014 and escalates to \$695 per adult and \$347.50 per child in 2016.

While shareholders of ANCSA regional and village corporations, and those enrolled in a federally recognized tribe are exempt, some Alaska Native people do not fall within either category.

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A word from the president

President's Message

By: Sophie Minich, CIRI president and chief executive officer

This is an exciting time of year for CIRI. It's the time when we meet with shareholders at a series of meetings leading up to the Annual Meeting to discuss the company's financial performance and business activities, and introduce the candidates running for the CIRI Board. We had good turnout at the meetings in Anchorage, Kenai and Seattle and it was encouraging to see the enthusiasm and to hear positive feedback from our shareholders.

These were the first shareholder meetings in which I participated as CIRI's president and CEO and I appreciated the kind words of support you shared with me. I am excited about working closely with shareholders and will be seeking your wisdom, support and guidance. I value your input and take your comments seriously.

At each meeting, I opened the business presentation by reading CIRI's Mission Statement.

"The mission of CIRI is to promote the economic and social well-being and Alaska Native heritage of our shareholders, now and into the future, through prudent stewardship of the company's resources, while furthering self-sufficiency among CIRI shareholders and their families."

CIRI's Mission Statement is a declaration of the purpose of our company – our reason for existing. It focuses the actions of the CIRI Board, executives and employees, spells out the company's overarching goals, provides a pathway to success and guides our decision-making. CIRI's Mission provides the framework and context within which CIRI's strategies are formulated and put into action, and is always at the forefront of our minds as we carry out the work of the company.

The business presentations give me the opportunity to report that CIRI had another good year in 2012, delivering solid financial results and completing a number of strategic investments. Afterward, I heard comments and answered questions from shareholders. I was particularly pleased to show videos highlighting two of CIRI's major achievements for the year – construction of the Fire Island Wind project and recent 12(b) land conveyances to the Cook Inlet village corporations. For those who were unable to attend the meetings, the videos are posted online and we encourage you to watch them.

- Fire Island Wind video can be viewed at www.fireislandwind.com
- The 12(b) land conveyance video is on the CIRI website at www.ciri.com

The information meetings also provide an opportunity for shareholders

to hear directly from the candidates seeking election to the CIRI Board. Each year shareholders elect five individuals to serve three-year terms on CIRI's 15-member Board of Directors.

The Board of Directors is CIRI's highest governing authority. It is the group of people legally charged with the responsibility to govern our corporation. The Board sets overall policy, based on the corporate mission and vision and exercises oversight to ensure CIRI's stability and profitability. CIRI Directors approve strategic decisions, such as authorizing which investments the company will pursue, establishing the company's dividend policy and determining the dates and amounts of such dividends and reviewing and approving the company's annual budgets and financials. An informed, independent and involved Board is essential to ensuring CIRI's integrity and long-term success.

As a shareholder, the most important thing you can do to affect the direction of the company is to participate in the Annual Meeting and Election of Directors. It is our responsibility as CIRI shareholders to know the Board candidates and to vote for the individuals who we believe are best qualified to guide our company and to protect the interests of CIRI shareholders. I encourage you to read about each of the candidates in the Voter's Guide and Proxy Statement and then send in your proxy before the deadline of 2 p.m. Alaska Daylight Time, Friday, May 24, 2013.

This year's Annual Meeting is being held in Puyallup, Wash. As part of CIRI's attempt to connect with as many shareholders as possible, we rotate our annual meetings between Anchorage, Kenai and the Pacific Northwest. We hope shareholders and their immediate family members in Seattle and the surrounding area can join us on Saturday, June 1 at the Chief Leschi School.

It has been a pleasure to get together with many of you at the recent meetings. In CIRI's more than 40-year history, we have grown into a diverse and successful corporation. CIRI's success depends on shareholders who are engaged and excited about participating in their corporation. I look forward to working with you to ensure that growth continues for another 40 years and beyond.

Sophie Minich



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Our Business

Cruz continues strong activity in North Dakota

Cruz Energy Services

The winter has not slowed operations in North Dakota's Bakken oil field. Cruz Energy Services, a CIRI subsidiary, reported a brisk pace of business for the first quarter of 2013. In March, the Cruz operations team set a new company record for the number of rig moves in a month. The team moved 18 drill rigs, surpassing the previous record set in December 2012.

While business in the Bakken remains active, Cruz reports the explosive growth has slowed and the market is "leveling." Cruz remains focused on providing excellence in service and safety. There were no lost time accidents in the quarter and Cruz added Continental Resources, ConocoPhillips, Statoil and Whiting Petroleum to its long-term client base. Meanwhile, three of Cruz's main competitors went out of business in the Bakken.

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Courtesy of Cruz Companies



Cruz Energy Services erects Sidewinder 105 after hauling it 1,600 miles from Houston, Texas.

CIRI Spotlight: Jeanette Tautfest

Greenhouse business is blooming

The home that CIRI shareholder Jeanette “Jet” Tautfest and life-partner Elwin York have created in the backwoods of Sutton is a botanical wonderland of rock gardens, perennial beds and a quirky collection of garden art. In one bed is a plastic skeleton riding atop an old rusty seed-spreader. In another, somebody’s discarded ceramic bust. A Buddha here, an alien there, and flowers everywhere else. It’s like the aftermath of a collision between a floral delivery van and a second hand truck.



Jeanette “Jet” Tautfest

The creativity that turned their property into an outdoor gallery can also be found in the nursery business they’ve created together, Lulu’s Garden, which sells annual and perennial plants and flowers for wholesale and retail markets.

Lulu’s has no storefront. The place is so tucked away in the foothills of the Talkeetna Mountains, drivers can get dizzy from all the twists and turns along the way. So Tautfest and York bring their plants and flowers to the people, filling basket orders for local residents and businesses, and setting up booths at events in the Mat-Su Valley.

The greenhouse business is a big switch from the kind of work Tautfest is accustomed to with her long history of Slope jobs, including driving trucks, working as a welder’s helper, a sheet metal worker and a pipeline insulator.

“I know a lot about flowers now, not nearly as much as Elwin by any means,” she said. “He’s the plant dude. He can grow anything, I swear he can.”

Tautfest and York are life-long Alaskans who first met 35 years ago in Soldotna.

“We re-met on the Slope in ’99 and just hit it off, and here we are today,” Tautfest said. Tautfest has three children, Kelly, Kenny and Kyle Tautfest.

When Tautfest is not working up north or helping run Lulu’s, she’s involved in some kind of art project, like carving on cottonwood bark or doing scrimshaw on baleen. She and York also do as much subsistence as they can, hunting and fishing and growing their own food; then drying, smoking and canning for winter.

For more information about Lulu’s Garden or to place an order, call (907) 746-5745.

Annual Meeting

Saturday, June 1
Chief Leschi School
5625 52nd Street East
Puyallup, Wash.
Registration: 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.
For more information, visit
www.ciri.com/annualmeeting or call
(907) 263-5191 or (800) 764-2474.

Save the Date

In Touch with shareholders



Glenda McKay

Fellowship announcement

CIRI shareholder Glenda McKay was awarded the Ronald and Susan Dubin Fellowship Grant at the School for Advanced Research (SAR) in Santa Fe, N.M. The school offers four artist-in-residence fellowships annually to advance the work of mature and emerging Native artists. McKay is known for her intricate attention to detail in making miniature dolls. Her work is recognized nationally at art shows, museums and galleries. While at SAR, she proposes to use traditional materials to create a doll scene called “Basket Maker.” She will be in residence from June to August 2013.



Wayne Vreeland

Promotion announcement

CIRI shareholder Richard Vreeland and Cook Inlet Tribal Council employee Dora Smith are the proud parents of Specialist Wayne Vreeland. Specialist Vreeland is a 2010 graduate of Service High School and a graduate of the Army National Guard. Since joining August 2011, he has served in Anchorage, and was recently promoted to Specialist. For his work as a power lifter, he has been featured in the nationwide magazine “GX” and the Army National Guard magazine.



Noami Strapp

Graduate announcement

Naomi Stapp earned her airman certificate on March 28, 2013, certifying her as a private pilot. She is the granddaughter of CIRI shareholder Alfreda Tolman and a recipient of The CIRI Foundation (TCF). She plans to continue her training for an Instrument Rating through the University of Alaska Fairbanks and Proflite of Alaska, LLC. Naomi said, “I’m thankful to CIRI and TCF for providing me with funding and helping make this dream possible.”

Birth announcement

CIRI shareholder Paul Standifer Jr. of Tyonek and Stella Oscar-Standifer of Bethel, Alaska are pleased to announce the birth of Alexis Louse Faith Panigkaq Standifer on March 16 in Anchorage. She weighed 7 lbs and 12 oz. Her siblings are Selena Marie Grace of Bethel, Aaron John of Kwethluk, Azan Roberta of Eagle River and Talisa Lynn of Soldotna.

Happy 60th
WEDDING ANNIVERSARY TO
MARTHA AND JERRY BROWN

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FROM CIRI AND THE
BROWN FAMILY
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Martha and Jerry Brown
married June 17, 1953 and
will celebrate their 60th
anniversary June 17, 2013.

Photo provided by Keri (Brown) Bartlett



2013 Shareholder Information Meeting, Anchorage



CIRI shareholder and CIRI President and CEO Sophie Minich presenting CIRI’s 2012 financial results and business activities at the 2013 Anchorage information meeting.



CIRI shareholders and their immediate family members listening to the CIRI presentation April 2013.



CIRI shareholders and their immediate family members visiting the CIRI nonprofit booths and shareholder artist tables at the Anchorage meeting.

Photos by Joel Irwin

Koahnic Broadcast Corporation produces radio special on Alaska Native people and climate change

Koahnic Broadcast Corporation has produced a special radio program, *Alaska Natives and Climate Change in the Arctic*, examining how climate change has been affecting Alaska Native traditions and cultures. The program is hosted by KNBA News Director Joaquin Estus (Tlingit) and is part of Koahnic's Arctic Series with funding from Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium, Anglo American, The CIRI Foundation and Rasmuson Foundation. The one-hour program looks at issues ranging

from the effects of disappearing sea ice and melting permafrost on subsistence to the opportunities that may come with new global trade routes through Alaskan waters. Stories of Alaska Native communities on the front lines of dealing with climate change are featured, such as Newtok, which has experienced severe seasonal flooding. Listen for *Alaska Natives and Climate Change in the Arctic* on KNBA 90.3 FM at 10 a.m. on Friday, May 3 and Saturday, May 4, or listen online at www.knba.org.

Get moving, get healthy, get fit at SCF Fun Run and Family Wellness Festival



Start of the 2012 SCF Fun Run and Family Wellness Festival.

CIRI's nonprofit health care affiliate, Southcentral Foundation, is hosting its 7th Annual Fun Run/Walk and Family Wellness Festival on Saturday, May 18. This free community event encourages Alaska Native and American Indian people to get moving, get healthy and get fit.

Alaska Native people are more than twice as likely to be diagnosed with diabetes. This event is held to promote diabetes and cancer prevention and to share information about Southcentral Foundation's health and wellness programs. The Family Wellness Festival offers a variety of family games and activities such as a hula hoop contest, Target Your Heart, Yoga Kids and ZUMBA®.

Registration for the 5K Fun Run/Walk begins at 9 a.m. and includes a free event t-shirt while supplies last. The Fun Run/Walk and Family Wellness Festival kicks off at 10 a.m. at the Southcentral Foundation Health Education and Wellness Center located at 4201 Tudor Centre Drive on the Alaska Native Health Campus.

For more information about the Fun Run/Walk and Family Wellness Festival, please contact the Southcentral Foundation Health Education Department at (907) 729-2689 or visit www.southcentralfoundation.com.

IT internship program delivering results

First intern makes transition from hotshot to techie

When a CIRI team member needs computer help, the trouble-shooter who often arrives on scene is CIRI shareholder Bob Crowe. Crowe is the first intern in a new program created by CIRI, Cook Inlet Tribal Council (CITC) and the Alaska Vocational Technical Center (AVTEC). As part of his paid internship, Crowe builds new computers, fixes computers and provides technical solutions to CIRI and its subsidiaries. He's the first line of defense for problem calls.

Being the first line of defense is nothing new for Crowe. In his former career, Crowe endured the intense physical training to become a wildland firefighter – a hotshot. As part of the Chena hotshot team, Crowe and his fellow firefighters would be dispatched across the country to help put down raging wildfires.

"I found myself travelling all the time chasing hotspots," Crowe said. "I was detailed to places like Nevada, Montana, California, all over Alaska and even crossed the border into Canada a few times chasing fire."

Always with an interest in computers, Crowe learned about the IT internship program through a flier CITC distributed. He called the CITC contact which led to the successful interview process with CIRI.

The program, aimed at helping to achieve CIRI's corporate goal of enhancing shareholder relevance, identifies interested shareholders and enters them into the 10-month AVTEC Information Technology Program in Seward, Alaska for training. Once the training is completed, participants gain real-world work experience through an internship at CIRI's corporate office or a CIRI subsidiary.

Crowe's experience is a little different. Because of the strong work ethic, technological talent and

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National awards for Cook Inlet Housing Authority

Cook Inlet Housing Authority (CIHA) was recently awarded three Bronze Telly Awards for two videos about Loussac Place. The Telly Awards are national awards honoring the very best film and video productions, groundbreaking online video content, and outstanding local, regional, and cable TV commercials and programs.

Entries are judged against a high standard of merit. Judges score the entries on a performance scale and winning entries are recognized and awarded as Silver or Bronze winners based on the combined scoring of the judges who evaluated each

entry. There were nearly 12,000 entries from all 50 states and five continents.

"We use videos to help us convey the importance of creating opportunities for affordable housing and how that housing opportunity affects the people who choose to live in our homes," said CIRI shareholder and CIHA President and CEO Carol Gore. "We know that affordable housing is the right foundation for healthy families and communities, and a path to self-sufficiency."

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CIRI created a family of nonprofit organizations that provide health care, housing, employment, education and other social and cultural enrichment services for Alaska Native people and others.

Alaska Native Heritage Center
Cultural center, museum and education
www.alaskanative.net

Alaska Native Justice Center
Legal services for Alaska Natives and Native Americans
www.anjc.org

The CIRI Foundation
Education and cultural funding and services for CIRI original enrollees and their descendants
www.thecirifoundation.org

Cook Inlet Housing Authority
Affordable housing, healthy communities and economic development
www.cookinlethousing.org

Cook Inlet Tribal Council
Social, educational and employment services for Alaska Native and Native American people
www.citci.org

Koahnic Broadcast Corporation
Broadcasting Alaska Native and Native American voices to Anchorage and the nation
www.knba.org

Southcentral Foundation
Health care and related services for Alaska Native and Native American people
www.southcentralfoundation.com

Alaska Native Health Resource Advocate Program
Health care, educational, social and cultural referral services for Alaska Native people in the Lower 48.
253.835.0101

CIRI supports Native language program for PBS Kids, *In My Family*

If your family watches children's programming on public television, don't be surprised if you see CIRI President and Chief Executive Officer Sophie Minich make an appearance.

Minich is helping to tout a new program from Alaska Public Media called *In My Family*.

CIRI is helping to sponsor *In My Family*, which promotes Alaska Native culture by sharing a word each day from one of the Native languages. The colorful vignettes feature Raven, a handcrafted puppet, joined by a representative from an Alaska Native culture as they discuss the word of the day.

The vignettes will air three times daily, seven days a week during PBS Kids programming.

"*In My Family* represents an innovative approach by Alaska Public Media to celebrate and promote Alaska's diverse Native languages," Minich said. "Part of the mission of CIRI is to promote our Native heritage. We are proud to be a major sponsor of this programming and encourage Alaska's youth to join Raven in learning about Alaska Native languages."

Minich recently visited the Alaska Public Media studio to appear with Raven in a promotional spot that will air on public television.



Photo by Jason Moore
Sophie Minich with Raven filming "In My Family."

TCF Scholarship and Vocational Training applications available online

June 1 and June 30 deadlines

Planning to attend a training in early fall or go to school during the 2013-2014 academic year?

The CIRI Foundation (TCF) is accepting applications for the June 1 General Scholarship application deadline. All eligible part-time and full-time degree-seeking students attending an accredited or recognized institution are welcome to apply online for fall or full-year awards toward the 2013-2014 academic year.

Those seeking vocational training certificates or other non-degree training should apply for the June 30 deadline. The June 30 online application will open June 1.

To set up an online account or review the most current information about TCF scholarship and grant programs, guidelines and a list of the required documents, visit www.thecirifoundation.org.

Cruz operations

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Cruz Marine

CIRI subsidiary Cruz Marine also reported a healthy amount of activity to start off 2013. The tug and barge company continued its service to assist Apache Corporation in Cook Inlet, ferrying supplies to a drilling operation near Tyonek. The Cruz barge Innoko also is contracted to assist in the Apache work.

Meanwhile, the tug Millie Cruz serviced a towing operation for Cook Inlet Marine, hauled equipment to the Southeast Alaska ports of Sitka and Juneau. The Millie Cruz was involved in the operation for most of the month of April. The Millie Cruz also has a busy summer season ahead with a run to Port Heiden and Bethel before heading to the North Slope in July working for Foss Marine on ExxonMobil's Point Thomson project.

National awards

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The Loussac Place "Grand Opening" video won two Telly Bronze Awards in the categories of Non-Broadcast Productions, Public Relations and Non-Broadcast Productions, Social Issues.

"A Place to Heal" video also won the Telly Bronze Award in the category of Non-Broadcast Productions, Social Issues.

Loussac Place is CIHA's most recently completed family housing development. Located in mid-town Anchorage, it is a 120-unit, mixed income neighborhood, serving a diverse mix of residents, with a safe, affordable housing opportunity.

Both videos may be viewed online at www.cookinlethousing.org. Northwest Strategies, a local full service marketing and advertising agency, produced the videos.

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Courtesy of the Yvonne Moeze Collection
Photo of Walter Harper by Hudson Stuck.

"All the girls knew Archdeacon Stuck (Walter's teacher) had plans for Walter's education," she said. "They didn't include being burdened by marriage and kids."

Until he was sixteen, Walter spoke only his mother's Native language, Koyukon Athabascan. Under the tutelage of Dr. Hudson Stuck, an Episcopal archdeacon, Walter learned to read and write in English. An eager student, he continued with other studies in preparation for university. When Stuck traveled to villages, Walter served as his interpreter. In the winter, he was Stuck's dog handler and in the summer his boat engineer. Stuck said of Walter, "He was the best that the mixed blood can produce."

experienced outdoorsman, and two Athabascan boys -- John Fredson, 15 and Esaias George, 14.

In preparation for the climb, Stuck had ordered supplies from Seattle, but only half arrived. Stuck described the ice-axes as "ridiculous gold-painted toys with detachable heads and broomstick handles...the points splintered the first time they were used." Additional money was needed -- from a budget of \$1,000 -- to have axes, crampons and silk tents made in Fairbanks. The heavy regulation alpine boots he ordered arrived in sizes too small and were useless. Stuck bought rubber-soled snow packs and attached leather soles and nails. The men also wore large size moccasins along with "five pairs of socks."

After months of preparation and caching supplies by dog team and boat, the party left Nenana with fourteen dogs and two sleds. Their cached supplies in Kantishna weighed one and a half tons and required several trips to move their equipment some fifty miles to the base of Denali.

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The June 2013 issue of the Raven's Circle will feature part two of "The Short Life of Walter Harper" which includes excerpts of Harper's diary written during the summit and descent of Mt. Denali and the personal reflections from his family about the legacy he left behind.

Jan Harper Haines is the author of "Cold River Spirits: Whispers from a Family's Forgotten Past" and her short stories have appeared in literary magazines and online at www.growingupanchorage.com.

Among their mountaineering party of six, only Stuck had climbing experience. In his book, *The Ascent of Denali*, the archdeacon -- a veteran climber of the Colorado and Canadian Rockies and Mount Rainier -- described himself as a missionary, not a professional climber.

Walter was not a climber. His nephew, Don Harper said in a television interview in 2007, "To my knowledge, I don't think (Walter) climbed anything (before Denali)."

The rest of the party included Robert Tatum, a postulant for holy orders; Harry Karstens, an

Reedy wins Stock Will Prize

The winner of the monthly March 2013 Stock Will Participation Prize is Tracy Ann Reedy. To be eligible for the \$200 monthly and quarterly iPad prize drawings in 2013, you must have a valid will on file in CIRI's Shareholder Relations Department and your will must comply with CIRI's fractional share policy. The CIRI Stock Will form, instructions and information on the fractional share policy may be found on the CIRI website. Contact CIRI's probate staff at (907) 263-5191 or toll-free at (800) 764-2474 and select option 4 to verify whether you have a will on file.



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Dividend Distributions

Elders' Settlement Trust payments

The second quarter CIRI Elders' Settlement Trust payment of \$450 is scheduled for June 14, with the remaining 2013 Elders' payments scheduled for September 13 and December 13.

Original shareholders who are 65 years of age or older and who own at least one share of CIRI stock as of those dates are eligible to receive the \$450 payments.

For the June distribution, eligible Elders who have their CIRI dividends directly deposited will have their trust payments electronically transmitted to the same account by 6 p.m. Alaska Daylight Time on Friday, June 14. Eligible Elders who do not participate in direct deposit will have their payments mailed in check form on June 14.

Second Quarter Dividend

Consistent with CIRI's dividend policy, the CIRI Board of Directors announced a second quarter 2013 dividend amount of \$8.41 per share.

If you own 100 shares of stock, your second quarter dividend will be \$841. All second quarter dividends will be mailed on Friday, June 28, 2013. If you participate in direct deposit, your dividend will be electronically transmitted to your account by 6 p.m. Alaska Daylight Time on June 28.

Direct Deposit Deadlines

The deadline for signing up for direct deposit or changing an existing direct deposit instruction is 3:00 p.m. on Monday, June 3, for the June Elders' Trust distribution, and 3:00 p.m. on Monday, June 17, for the second quarter dividend. Direct deposit forms are available from the Shareholder Relations Department, and may also be printed from www.ciri.com. To cancel direct deposit, please submit a signed, written request prior to 3:00 p.m. on June 3 for the June Elders' Trust distribution, and 3:00 p.m. on June 17 for the second quarter dividend.

Address Changes

Checks and direct deposit vouchers for the June Elders' Settlement Trust distribution will be mailed to the address CIRI has on record as of 3:00 p.m. on Thursday, June 6, and second quarter dividend checks and vouchers will mail to the address CIRI has on record as of 3:00 p.m. on Thursday, June 20. Checks cannot be picked up at the CIRI office.

Shareholders should note that a new automated system implemented by the U.S. Postal Service makes it mandatory for shareholder addresses on record with the CIRI Shareholder Relations Department to match the address that is on file with the Postal Service. If not, your CIRI mail and dividend checks may not reach you.

If your address has changed, send a signed Address Change Form to CIRI. Include a current telephone number so CIRI may contact you if questions come up. If you fail to notify CIRI of your new address before the deadline, and your check is sent to your old address, CIRI cannot reissue that check to you unless it is either returned to Shareholder Relations or a minimum of 90 days has elapsed.

Change of address forms can be mailed to CIRI at P.O. Box 93330, Anchorage, AK 99509, or faxed to (907) 263-5186. All faxed requests should be followed up with a call to confirm it was received. Online forms and information on changing your address or submitting a mail-forwarding request with the U.S. Postal Service are available on the Postal Service web site, and are also available at your local post office.

Tax Reminder

As a reminder, dividends represent taxable income to shareholders and portions of the Elders' payments are also taxable. Although CIRI is unable to withhold taxes from distributions, shareholders who anticipate owing tax on their distributions have the option of making quarterly estimated tax payments directly to the IRS themselves. To find out more about applicable federal and state tax requirements or making quarterly estimated tax payments, please consult with a tax advisor or contact the IRS directly.

IT internship program

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CIRI shareholder Bob Crowe, CIRI IT intern.

good customer service he displayed in the interview process, Crowe was given the summer internship with plans to enter the AVTEC program at the end of August. Meanwhile, a graduate of the AVTEC program is set to become CIRI's next IT intern in May.

"The idea is to get shareholders excited about IT and the many career opportunities in the industry," said Keith Ziolkowski, the IT director at CIRI. "After the AVTEC training and the internship at CIRI, these shareholders will be prepared to enter the IT workforce and it will allow CIRI and its subsidiaries the opportunity to hire shareholders who are well-trained and qualified."

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CIRI and its subsidiaries continue to recruit for a number of positions. For a list of vacant positions and job descriptions, visit the CIRI website at www.ciri.com.

CIRI shareholders are encouraged to apply.

CIRI CAREER OPPORTUNITIES



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The Southcentral Foundation and the Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium (ANTHC) are initiating an outreach effort to educate and inform Alaska Native people of the impending changes and possible implications of the new law. “We are beginning the process of educating the Alaska Native population,” said Monique Martin, government relations specialist with the ANTHC. “Changes to health care regulations often lead to confusion, so we want to help to make this transition as seamless as possible.”

Who qualifies for exemption as American Indian or Alaska Native

American Indian and Alaska Native people are exempt from this penalty if they can provide evidence that they are 1) a shareholder of an Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act (ANCSA) village or regional corporation, or 2) enrolled in a federally recognized tribe. Your CIRI shareholder identification card is adequate proof for the tax exemption, but a Certificate Degree of Indian Blood will not work for the tax penalty exemption.

While the new health care law does not impact services currently received at the Alaska Native Medical Center (ANMC), Southcentral Foundation or from other Indian Health Service (IHS) providers, many current IHS beneficiaries may have to pay the tax penalty if they do not have other health insurance or are not otherwise qualified for an exemption.

To avoid the penalty, ANTHC recommends that Alaska Natives who are not shareholders of an ANCSA regional or village corporation consider enrolling as a member of a federally recognized tribe.

Learn more

Alaskans will have a new option of purchasing health insurance through the federal marketplace as early as October for plan coverage that becomes effective

Jan. 1, 2014. Income-based subsidies will be available for those who qualify and Alaska Native people will be allowed to enroll for insurance coverage monthly, instead of annually. “It’s important for everyone to learn more about the options available. Now is a good time to do the research so they can be prepared and avoid potential penalties next year,” Martin said.

For more information on the Affordable Care Act, visit www.healthcare.gov.

For more information about ANMC or Contract Health Services, contact (855) 482-4382.

How to enroll in a tribe

Tribal enrollment rules are different for every tribe. You are most likely to qualify for tribal enrollment in the village where your family comes from, but that is not always the case. Contact tribes directly to learn what is required for enrollment. Tribal addresses can be found at www.ncai.org/tribal-directory. You can also contact the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Alaska Regional Office, at (800) 645-8465.

How to become a CIRI shareholder

CIRI stock cannot currently be sold and enrollment to the corporation closed in the 1970’s. Today, the only way to become a shareholder is to receive stock through inheritance or as a gift from a CIRI shareholder. A gifting packet with complete instructions and eligibility requirements is available online at www.ciri.com.

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dental, behavioral health, optometry, chemical dependency, physical therapy, lab and X-ray, pharmacy and traditional healing services.

The construction of KIT’s Dena’ina Wellness Center remains on schedule for completion next winter.

To view photos and weekly construction updates for the Dena’ina Wellness Center, visit Kenaitze’s website at www.kenaitze.org/index.php/dena-ina-wellness-center.

The Shareholder Relations Department will be closed on Friday, May 31, in preparation for the annual meeting of shareholders.

Help locate shareholder addresses

The following CIRI shareholders do not have a current mailing address on record. Shareholders can fill out the change of address form at CIRI’s offices, download it from the CIRI website or send a signed and dated letter that includes the new address, telephone number, birth date and the last four digits of their social security number.

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Brian Thomas Watson
Harry Markum Watson
Ralph Lee Watson
Steven John Whitley
Walter Stanislaus Whitley Jr.

In Memory

Robert Lee Ahgupuk, 57

Robert Lee Ahgupuk passed away Dec. 15, 2012, at Alaska Native Medical Center in Anchorage. Mr. Ahgupuk was born April 21, 1955, in Anchorage. He is survived by his mother, Ruth K. Floyd; and sisters, Beverly Floyd and Angela Thibodeaux.

Ruth Margaret Ellis, 87

Ruth Margaret Ellis passed away Feb. 23 at home in Shoreline, Wash. Ms. Ellis was born Sept. 16, 1925, in Anchorage. She is survived by her husband, Robert Roy Ellis; sons, Frances Henry and Jerry Lyman; and step-children, Carol, Robert and Rusty Ellis.

Margaret Joyce Gauthier, 80

Margaret Joyce Gauthier passed away Nov. 15, 2012, at Swedish Medical Center in Seattle, Wash. Ms. Gauthier was born March 20, 1932, in Seldovia, Alaska. She is survived by her daughter, Pamela Plancich, and son, Robert Gauthier.

Rhonda Luellen Komok, 46

Rhonda Luellen Komok passed away Feb. 22 at home in Anchorage. Ms. Komok was born Dec. 22, 1966, in Anchorage. She is survived by her daughters, Maggie Christofferson and Cheyenne Mosquito; sons, Joseph Delgado and Logan and Travis Mosquito; granddaughters, Talisa Komok and Makayla Rose; grandsons, John Komok, Jeston Weyanna-Komok and Brandon Rose; sister, Kimberly Owens; and brother, Jason Tendler.

James Lawrence Lindgren, 66

James Lawrence Lindgren passed away Nov. 16, 2012, at Central Peninsula Hospital in Soldotna, Alaska. Mr. Lindgren was born June 22, 1946, in Kenai, Alaska. He is survived by his daughters, Lori Anderson, Monica Hall, Gina Gallagher and their families; sons, Gerry and Lance Lindgren; and numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

John Victor Marsden Sr., 66

John Victor Marsden Sr. passed away Feb. 16 at home in Anchorage. Mr. Marsden was born Oct. 8, 1946, in Sequim, Wash. He is survived by his children, John and Tina Marsden Jr., Pamela and Hubert Marsden-Maier, Jason Marsden, Ariana Marsden; eight grandchildren; sisters, Barbara Shearer, Joann and Frank Hayward, Denise and Brian Miller, Darcel and Leo Obermiller; brother, Edward and Polly Marsden.

Clara Lynn Robinson, 80

Clara Lynn Robinson passed away Jan. 17 at home in Anchorage. Ms. Robinson was born Oct. 10, 1932, in Ninilchik, Alaska. She loved to cook and worked many years in the food industry. She also enjoyed crocheting, reading, playing cribbage and pinochle and putting together puzzles. Ms. Robinson enjoyed visiting her friends in the complex she lived in for many years. She is survived by her daughters, Cindy Currier, Melody Daniel and Winifred Quier; sisters, Cora Cook and Barbara Redmond; brother, George Jackinsky; and grandchildren, great-grandchildren and great great-grandchildren.

Anna Mary Stevens, 57

Anna Mary Stevens passed away Jan. 17 at Alaska Native Medical Center in Anchorage. Ms. Stevens was born in Anvik, Alaska. She is survived by her daughter, Marie Andrews; granddaughter, Jareya Fisher; and grandsons, Navarro Andrews, Dezel Fisher and Ronald Fisher.

Paul William Torgramsen Jr., 80

Paul William Torgramsen Jr. passed away Sept. 29, 2011, at Wrangell Medical Center in Wrangell, Alaska. Mr. Torgramsen was born Nov. 28, 1930, in Unalaska, Alaska. He is survived by his wife, Lisa Torgramsen; daughters, Kristine Lee and Karoline Ivy; sons, Karl Torgramsen and Paul Torgramsen III; and step-daughters, Lacey Brooks, Katie Frabel and JessieAnne Grogan.

Condolences

Rachel Esther Dimmick, 83

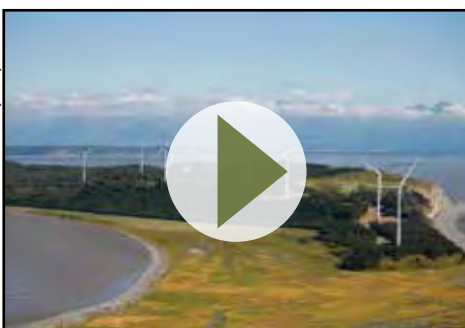
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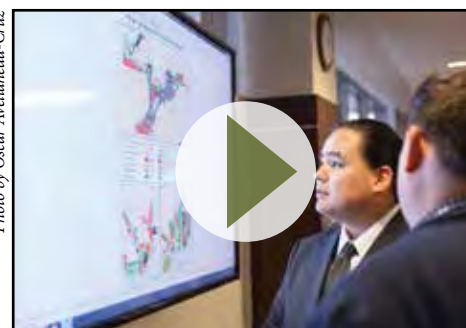
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