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CIRI SHAREHOLDER AND ELDER SHAREHOLDER OF THE YEAR



CIRI President and CEO Sophie Minich presented CIRI shareholders Betty Gilcris and Clare Swan with their award plaques at the Kenai Friendship Potlatch. Photo by Joel Irwin.

HIGHLIGHTS SHAREHOLDER OF THE YEAR CLARE SWAN

- Chair of Cook Inlet Tribal Council.
- Former chair of Kenaitze Tribe.
- Helped establish Traditional Educational Fishery, Dena'ina Health Clinic, youth programs and a community agricultural program.

"From promoting cultural preservation, to battling region-wide unemployment, racism and alcoholism, Clare has firmly established herself as a leader with a history of helping her people," said CIRI shareholder and CITC Community Engagement Officer Denise Osborne.

"As Chair of Cook Inlet Tribal Council's (CITC) Board of Directors, Clare brought her vision, helping CITC to grow into a premier Native organization impacting Native Alaskans and American Indian peoples nationwide."

– GLORIA O'NEILL

CLARE SWAN SHAREHOLDER OF THE YEAR Swan recognized for 40 years of service

Since 1989, when CIRI recognized Shem Pete with the CIRI Shareholder of the Year Award, CIRI has been honoring shareholders for their exemplary dedication to Alaska Native culture, heritage and communities. The award acknowledges the recipient's life accomplishments and contributions to Alaska Native people.

At the Fall Friendship Potlatch in Kenai earlier this month, CIRI President and CEO Sophie Minich presented the 2013 Shareholder of the Year Award to Clare Swan. Swan's service to the Alaska Native community and rural Alaska spans more than 40 years.

"Clare's contributions are many and she remains an inspirational role model for our youth," Minich said when presenting the award. "It is an honor to recognize Clare on behalf of CIRI and all of our shareholders."

Swan served on the CIRI Board of Directors from 1991 to 2006 and is currently the chair of Cook Inlet Tribal Council (CITC), a position she has held since 2000.

"As chair of Cook Inlet Tribal Council's Board of Directors, Clare brought her vision to CITC, helping CITC to grow into a premier Native organization impacting Alaskan Native and American Indian peoples nationwide," said CIRI shareholder and CITC President and CEO Gloria O'Neill.

Swan also chaired the Kenaitze Indian Tribe for 15 years and led the effort to secure the Traditional Educational Fishery for the Kenaitze Tribe. She was instrumental in helping to establish the Dena'ina Health Clinic as well as youth programs and a community agricultural program. As a certified substance abuse counselor, a volunteer with the court system and an active participant in the effort to revitalize the Dena'ina language, including relearning the language herself, Swan has helped countless Alaska Native people.

Along with a plaque, Swan was presented an Alaska Native necklace made by Dixie Alexander.

ELDER SHAREHOLDER OF THE YEAR BETTY GILCRIST

Little is left of what once was the village of Point Possession. But, the history of the village will live on thanks, in large part, to the tireless efforts of CIRI shareholder Betty Gilcris.

For her passionate advocacy on behalf of CIRI, including her drive to document the village's history, Gilcris was honored with the recognition of CIRI Elder of the Year. Gilcris received the award from CIRI President and CEO Sophie Minich at the Fall Friendship Potlatch in Kenai.

"Thank you, Betty, for all you have done. Your work of documenting the cultural traditions and history of Point Possession will be a benefit for generations to come," Minich said.

Gilcris was an effective advocate for the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act and testified in federal court to help create the group status for the village of Point Possession. She also served on a CIRI Shareholder Participation Committee and worked with the Cook Inlet Historical Society as the Point Possession representative.

SHAREHOLDER OF THE YEAR, CONTINUED ON PAGE 7

THE NEW Raven's Circle

This month CIRI is proud to present a new design for the *Raven's Circle*. As an important connection between CIRI shareholders and their corporation, the new design reflects an intent to highlight the art, culture and achievements of the company and its shareholders and descendants. We hope you enjoy the new look and the efforts being made to develop relevant and engaging content.

A WORD FROM THE PRESIDENT

By: Sophie Minich, CIRI President and CEO

The CIRI Potlatch season is upon us and I have enjoyed the opportunity to meet with shareholders and their families in Kenai and Anchorage earlier this month. I also look forward to our meeting with shareholders when we gather in Puyallup, Wash. next month. This is a special time for the CIRI family to rekindle friendships, make new friends and acknowledge those who have passed away.

I especially want to congratulate Clare Swan who received the recognition of CIRI Shareholder of the Year and Betty Gilchrist, our CIRI Elder of the Year. Clare has an impressive lifetime of contributions – from being a leader in the Kenaitze Indian Tribe and helping to achieve an educational fishery for our people, to battling region-wide unemployment, racism and alcoholism. Meanwhile, Betty's commitment to researching the history of Point Possession and passing on cultural knowledge and traditions will be a benefit for generations to come.

“We are fortunate for the collaboration shared among shareholders, Board members, employees, nonprofits and business partners – a welcome contrast to the bitter divide we see in our nation’s political dialogue.”

– SOPHIE MINICH

Also receiving well-deserved recognition at the Potlatches are CIRI descendants Amiel Crandall and Autumn Ridley, the winners of the first-ever CIRI Youth Recognition Awards. The new award category is part of CIRI's commitment to deepen its engagement with the next generation of CIRI shareholders. Amiel and Autumn each demonstrated a strong dedication to personal growth and leadership. Please take the time to read about their accomplishments in this issue of the *Raven's Circle*.

I suspect those of you paying attention to the national news have been frustrated watching the bitter disagreements among our nation's political leaders. Between the health care debate, the budget battles, government shutdown and the debt ceiling

disagreements, it feels like we're listening to a broken record. I often wish our political leaders would try to run government more like a business. If so, they would realize that their failure to work together and compromise only serves to cause our nation damage.

While the government shutdown had only limited impacts on CIRI businesses, it affected some nonprofits, tribal organizations and other services on which our shareholders and descendants rely. Even before the shutdown, these organizations were feeling the effects of the sequestration cuts that came earlier this year. These cuts have impacted the Indian Health Service, education funding, substance abuse programs, Head Start, infrastructure projects and others.

Many Alaska Native corporations have also felt the impacts through cuts in federal contracting programs. While CIRI is not as dependent on federal contracting as some Alaska Native corporations, our businesses that do work with federal agencies have been impacted by an overall reduction in the number of contracts and delays in awarding contracts. CIRI is taking appropriate measures to respond to the uncertainty while encouraging our elected leaders to resolve their disagreements in a timely manner and limit the effects of the political stalemate.

While Congress finally reached agreement to re-open the government and extend the debt ceiling, it is only a three-month extension. This creates uncertainty in the financial markets and among those companies doing business with the federal government.

The National Congress of American Indians is closely following the events in Washington, D.C., as they pertain to services offered by the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Indian Health Service and other agencies. You can find more information about these issues and how on-going developments could impact the various agencies and programs on the organization's website, at www.NCAI.com.

In the meantime, CIRI will remain focused on those issues we can control as we manage our investments to deliver the highest return for our shareholders.



HIGHLIGHTS PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

- Political conflicts in Washington, D.C. create uncertainty for businesses, nonprofits and tribal organizations.
- CIRI is taking appropriate measures to respond.
- Elected leaders are encouraged to cooperate on solutions that maintain confidence in the economy and a healthy business climate.

We are fortunate for the collaboration shared among shareholders, Board members, employees, nonprofits and business partners – a welcome contrast to the bitter divide we see in our nation's political dialogue. Once again, I appreciate seeing all of you who came to the Potlatches and look forward to continuing our strong relationship into the future.

Sophie Minich

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DENA'INAQ'
HUCH'ULYESHI:
The Dena'ina *Way of Living*

Anchorage Museum
September 15, 2013 – January 12, 2014

Meet the Dena'ina culture through film, life-size re-creations, archival images and more than 160 artifacts on loan from museums across Europe and North America. For more information visit www.anchoragemuseum.org.

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Aaron Leggett

At 32 years of age, CIRC shareholder Aaron Leggett has played a vital role in preserving and perpetuating the Dena'ina language and culture. As the Special Exhibits Curator at the Anchorage Museum, Leggett has been instrumental in bringing the first exhibition of the Dena'ina Athabascan people to a major museum.

The exhibit "Dena'inaq' Huch'ulyeshi: the Dena'ina Way of Living" opened September 15 and runs through January 12 featuring artifacts and artwork from museums all over the world. A crowning achievement for Leggett, the exhibit is but the latest in a lifetime spent exploring the Dena'ina culture and elevating its prominence.

Born in Anchorage in 1981, Leggett was raised at a time when there was almost no recognition of the original inhabitants of Cook Inlet. His only source of information on the subject was his grandmother Marie (Ondola) Rosenberg who was Dena'ina from Idlughet (Eklutna).

"She instilled in me a sense of being proud of who I am," said Leggett.

He first learned of his ancestry in preschool after telling his grandmother about a school project where students made jars of cranberry sauce to take home for Thanksgiving.

"I remember giving it to her and saying, 'Grandma, we dressed up as Indians in school.'" She replied, in her husky voice, "Aaron, you are Indian."

Until about 15 years ago, most of the region's history focused on the tent city that became Anchorage and the pipeline days. Outside of a few mostly out-of-print publications on the region's original inhabitants, it was difficult to find relevant information about the Dena'ina people. After earning his degree in anthropology at the University of Alaska Anchorage, Leggett set out to change the historical narrative.

"I have never encountered a man so passionate about his culture, about getting the story right and about making it his life's work," said CIRC Board member Hallie Bissett who interned with Aaron at CIRC. "He has truly returned Dena'ina to a level of prominence in the community that was unheard of such a short time ago."

Leggett's work includes scholarly articles about the Dena'ina language and people and he has also co-authored several publications including "Dena'ina Heritage and Representation in Anchorage, AK," "Dena'ina Nat'uh: Our Special Place" and "Sakuuktugut: Alaska Native Corporations, an Overview of ANCSA." He also served as one of the editors and contributors to the exhibition catalog for "Dena'inaq' Huch'ulyeshi: The Dena'ina Way of Living."

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FROM THE CLASSROOM TO THE BOARD ROOM

Who's Who in the history of Alaska Native land claims became the first instructors for the inaugural class of the Alaska Native Executive Leadership Program. The classes got underway in September at Alaska Pacific University (APU).

"This is an impressive inaugural class. I am especially proud of the CIRC shareholders and employees who are embarking on this challenge."

– SOPHIE MINICH

The students, including three CIRC employees and five CIRC shareholders, heard about Native land battles from former CIRC President Margie Brown; they heard about the political struggle to accomplish the Alaska Native Lands Claims Settlement Act (ANCSA) from Willie Hensley; they listened to Andrew Guy as he discussed the land claims from a Yup'ik perspective; and Byron Mallott shared wisdom about the importance of communicating across cultural lines, collaborating and cultivating long-lasting relationships.

Students also heard from attorney David Case, who talked about some of the legal issues created by the settlement, and from CIRC's Vice President of Government Contracting Gregory Razo who spoke about ANCSA federal Indian policy and the reorganization of the Alaska Federation of Natives.

The graduate-level program covers nine weeks of intensive study in the history, operation and challenges of managing Alaska's Native corporations. Each student who completes the program will receive a certification and nine credits that can be applied to a master's degree.

HIGHLIGHTS CLASSROOM - BOARD ROOM

- Alaska Native Executive Leadership Program welcomes first class.
- Students hear about land claims fight from Native leaders including Margie Brown, Andrew Guy, Willie Hensley and Byron Mallott.
- Graduates to receive nine graduate-level credits for completing the program.

"This is an impressive inaugural class. I am especially proud of the CIRC shareholders and employees who are embarking on this challenge," Sophie Minich, president and CEO of CIRC, told the students at the kick-off breakfast.

Several Alaska Native corporations, including CIRC, are supporting the program. The collaboration with APU began as a way to help prepare the next generation of Alaska Native corporate leaders for the challenges of managing large corporations.

"As this program evolves, we will listen to the feedback we receive from the students and staff and we will respond and adapt to ensure the students receive the tools necessary for success," said Don Bantz, APU president.

The class includes CIRC employees Rhonda Oliver, betsy Peratrovich and Maylen Prosser who is also a CIRC shareholder. CIRC shareholders Tammy Ashley, April Kyle, Denise Morris and Tabettha Toloff are also part of the first class.



Back Row: Tiel Smith, Scott Torrison, Joe Kashevarof, April Kyle, and Josh Nadell. Middle Row: Sarah Lukin, Memry Dahl, betsy Peratrovich, Katherine Carlton, Shauna Hegna. Front Row: Andria Agli, Tabettha Toloff, Rhonda Oliver, Erin Wilson, Maylen Prosser and Denise Morris. Photo by Jason Moore.

FIRE ISLAND WIND ON TRACK TO DOUBLE CAPACITY

The Fire Island Wind project celebrated its one year anniversary in September, just in time to begin work on what could become the second phase of the project.

In early October, crews started clearing pads and access roads to add 11 more turbines to the island. By starting construction now, CIRC would be able to take advantage of an investment tax credit offered by the federal government that will only be available through the end of 2013. The credit would provide up to \$15 million in savings, should the second phase of the project proceed.

In a review of the first year of operations, it appears the 11 turbines that make up the first phase of the project are doing exactly what they were built to do.

As of September, the turbines have produced a collective 51,800 megawatt hours of energy - just



slightly above the project's goal of 51,000 megawatt hours – and enough electricity to power 6,000 Southcentral Alaska homes, according to Suzanne Gibson, vice president of Fire Island Wind, LLC.

"It's exactly in line with our expectations," said Gibson.

www.fireislandwind.com

CIRI YOUTH RECOGNITION AWARD

Descendants Autumn Ridley and Amiel Crandall recognized

CIRI presented its new Youth Recognition Awards at the Fall Friendship Potlatch in Anchorage on October 20. CIRI descendants Amiel Crandall and Autumn Ridley received the awards for different, but equally impressive, accomplishments.

Amiel Crandall is recognized for his personal growth and community service. After his initial difficulty completing the Southcentral Foundation RAISE program, Crandall successfully turned his life around. He volunteered for community programs, improved in school, became a better communicator and inspires others to follow.



➤ 2013 Youth Recognition Award recipients, Amiel Crandall and Autumn Ridley pictured with CIRI President and CEO Sophie Minich at the Anchorage Potlatch. Photo by Joel Irwin.

Crandall ultimately received numerous awards from the RAISE program's staff and his peers. Another notable accomplishment was his recent acceptance into Season 2013-2014 of the Alaska Youth Orchestra due to his talents as a cellist. Crandall is the son of CIRI shareholder Amy Roehl-Hanson.

Nominated by Cook Inlet Tribal Council, Autumn Ridley is a talented athlete who has numerous awards from the Native Youth Olympics, including a world record Alaska High Kick set in 2012. The physical strength and mental toughness that led to her success in the games is now focused on mentoring Native youth. Ridley recognizes the importance of teaching others the skills she acquired and passing along this important connection to the cultural heritage of CIRI shareholders. Ridley is the daughter of CIRI shareholder Jacqueline Lee and granddaughter of CIRI shareholder Sophie Nothstine.

CIRI introduced the Youth Recognition Award as part of its outreach to descendants and future owners and leaders of the corporation. Deepening its engagement with shareholders and descendants is one of CIRI's strategic focus areas. The Youth Recognition Award acknowledges youth who are 12 to 17 years of age for superior academic achievements, demonstrated leadership qualities, dedication to Alaska Native culture and heritage, outstanding contributions to community and family, and exceptional determination and stamina in overcoming significant life challenges. 📖

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Leggett was an influential voice in naming the Dena'ina Civic and Convention Center in Anchorage and helped select the art that is displayed there. He has been involved in putting up a series of interpretive signs around Anchorage that reflect Dena'ina culture, including near Ship Creek, Chester Park and Potter Marsh.

Leggett currently serves as the Tribal Council Treasurer of the Native Village of Eklutna. He has worked on the Anchorage Historic Preservation Commission, was the Dena'ina cultural historian at the Alaska Native Heritage Center and interned at CIRI as an assistant historian. He also serves as an advisor to the Smithsonian's Arctic Studies Center and has continued to lend his expertise to CIRI for its annual calendar.



➤ Aaron displays his costume that he made at St. Marks Preschool in honor of Thanksgiving. Photo by Diane Buls, courtesy of Aaron Leggett.

"Even though Aaron is still very young, he has devoted countless hours to serving his people by working tirelessly to preserve their Dena'ina culture and traditions," A.J. McClanahan, CIRI's former historian stated.

Leggett has also made it his personal mission to spend the rest of his life learning the Dena'ina language.

"Many of the things I could only have dreamed of a few years ago – such as interpretive signage, proper recognition, a museum exhibition and catalog – are already happening," Leggett said. "Nevertheless, there is still much work to be done to reinvigorate *naqenagq* (our language)." 📖

MISSING SHAREHOLDERS

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.

Matthew Jacob Anahonak
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\$1.5 MILLION IN SCHOLARSHIPS AND GRANTS AWARDED TO ALASKA NATIVE STUDENTS

Following the June 2013 application deadlines, The CIRI Foundation (TCF) approved more than \$1.5 million in scholarships and vocational training grants for approximately 400 students.

Annual scholarship recipient Erin Feller expressed her thanks to TCF: "In addition to being very thankful for the financial support, it is an honor to be recognized as a role model for other students in our Alaska community. I look forward to four years from now when I can return to Alaska as a Doctor of Dental Medicine and give back to my community."

Since its inception, TCF has approved more than 13,000 scholarships and grants, investing more than \$24 million dollars into the education, career development and workforce training of CIRI original enrollees and their descendants.

"We are immensely proud of each and every one of our students. We see TCF recipients throughout the community working in a variety of fields. It is extremely rewarding to see past students living their dreams and making a difference for our people in

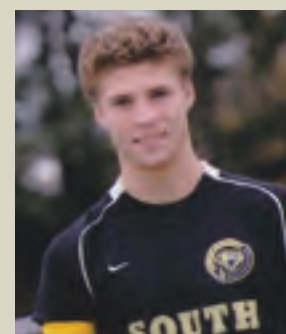
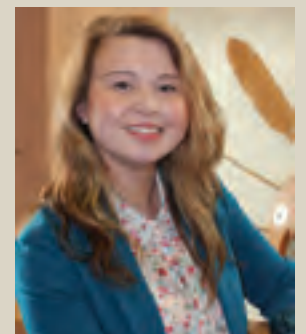
Alaska and around the world," said CIRI shareholder and TCF President and CEO Susan Anderson.

TCF scholarship and grant applications are now primarily online. In the future, TCF plans to use the online applications to better connect students with additional educational, employment and internship opportunities with various institutions, especially within the Native community.

"It is extremely rewarding to see past students living their dreams and making a difference for our people in Alaska and around the world."

– SUSAN ANDERSON

"The more information and opportunities we can provide our recipients, the better. We hope to see our online application connect students early on with opportunities that can benefit them and the larger community," said Anderson. 📖



➤ TCF scholarship and grant recipients Charlene Apok (Top left) Esther Roehl (top right), Ronald Perry (bottom left) and Shannon Lincoln (bottom right). Courtesy of The CIRI Foundation.

www.thecirifoundation.org >>



SHAREHOLDER GATHERING

KENAI FALL FRIENDSHIP POTLATCH



CIRI shareholders from the Kenai Peninsula gathered at Kenai Middle School on October 12 to participate in the Fall Friendship Potlatch. Traditional foods, such as salmon peroke and moose stew were served.

Shareholders participated in an Athabascan cloth ceremony and enjoyed a performance from the Kenaitze Indian Tribe's Jabila'ina Dance Group.



PHOTOS BY JOEL IRWIN

Stock Will Prize

The winner of the August 2013 \$200 Stock Will Participation Prize is Deborah Patricia Tolen and Ryan David Sipary is the winner of the third quarter drawing for an Apple iPad 3.

Shareholders will have one more opportunity to win an Apple iPad 3 in 2013, with a drawing conducted for the quarter ending December 31. To be eligible for the \$200 monthly prize drawing and the fourth quarter iPad drawing 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 additional 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.



NOW OPEN, NEW DENTAL CLINIC IN MAT-SU VALLEY



Southcentral Foundation is now offering general dental services Tuesdays through Fridays inside the Benteh Nuutah Valley Native Primary Care Center in Wasilla. Photo courtesy of SCF.

Alaska Native and American Indian people eligible to receive tribal health care services may now make dental appointments at Southcentral Foundation's new dental clinic in Wasilla.

The name *Benteh Nuutah* translates to "among the lakes, among the islands" and honors Knik's Dena'ina Athabascan and Chickaloon's Ahtna Athabascan peoples.

General dental services have been offered inside the Benteh Nuutah Valley Native Primary Care Center since August. The services, primarily for adults and children ages 7 and older, include examinations, cleanings and fillings. Pediatric dental services are offered on Wednesdays for children ages 6 and under.

Benteh Nuutah Valley Native Primary Care Center Dental Clinic

1001 Knik-Goose Bay Road
Wasilla, Alaska 99654
(907) 631-7690
Hours: 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., Tuesday through Friday

For appointments, please call (907) 631-7690. All specialty services will continue to be referred to the Southcentral Foundation Fireweed Dental or Alaska Native Medical Center Dental Clinics in Anchorage.

www.southcentralfoundation.com

INTOUCH

New book offers Autism insight



WIN QUIER, AUTHOR AND CIRI SHAREHOLDER

CIRI shareholder Win Quier is the author of "Jeremiah's Journey: Gaining Our Autistic Son By Losing Him to the System," which chronicles the life of her son with autism through his mother's eyes. It addresses the roller coaster ride of finding the correct diagnosis, medication and counseling.

Hope is the main goal of sharing Jeremiah's story from birth to graduating high school and moving into his first apartment. The book provides suggestions to make the journey a little easier and tools to keep organized. Jeremiah's Journey is intended to offer encouragement to those who have autism and their families.

Quier shares her book with organizations and support groups in Oklahoma. She is also working on two additional books, an Amish romance novel and a children's book, both featuring an autistic character.

To follow the writings of Win, you can like her Facebook page, "Win Quier, Author." To order autographed copies of the book, please email win.quier@yahoo.com. Non-autographed copies can be ordered at www.tatepublishing.com/bookstore.



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SHAREHOLDER- AND DESCENDANT-OWNED BUSINESSES

CIRI shareholders and descendants own and operate a variety of small businesses, ranging from arts, entertainment and restaurants, to construction. Visit the CIRI website at www.ciri.com for a directory of CIRI shareholder- and descendant-owned businesses.

Alaska's Event Designer

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CIRI descendant Shay Jackinsky owns Alaska's Event Designer. The business provides special event planning services for individuals, groups and businesses. Jackinsky helps to coordinate and create unique and memorable events through innovative planning and professional execution. For more information, visit www.akseventdesigner.com/alaska-s-event-designer.



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CIRI shareholder Edward Hakala owns EBSC Engineering LLC. The business provides civil and environmental engineering services to architectural firms, municipal governments, state and federal agencies, tribal organizations and private developers. Their greatest interest is in providing engineering support to Alaska Native communities.



www.ebscengineering.com

To list your shareholder- or descendant-owned business on CIRI's website, email info@ciri.com.

Disclaimer: CIRI provides these links to shareholder- and descendant-owned businesses as a service to CIRI shareholders and their families and for informational purposes only. CIRI does not endorse and takes no responsibility for any of the products or services these businesses offer, or the ways in which they offer them. CIRI does not investigate or evaluate the listed businesses in any way, and makes no warranty, express or implied, about the truthfulness of any statement a listed business makes. CIRI reserves complete discretion in deciding whether to list any business, to maintain any listing, and to update any listing or link.

Growing up in Point Possession during the summer, Gilcrist learned the traditional subsistence lifestyle just as her mother did. Gilcrist continues to share her cultural knowledge and traditions with others to ensure that the next generation of providers will carry on the traditions and customs to sustain their extended families.



➤ Ciri Elder Shareholder of the Year, Betty Gilcrist.
Photo by Joel Irwin.

“My Aunt Betty is a pioneer,” said niece Deborah Jacobson. “We all look up to her leadership and she serves as a mentor with our family’s history and culture. She is the caretaker of the old village.”

This is Ciri’s third year of recognizing an Elder who exemplifies the highest values and qualities important to Ciri shareholders and Alaska Native people. The Elder is recognized as a leader, an educator, a preserver of our Native culture and traditions and someone whose contributions have benefited his or her community. ☰

CIRI JOB AND RESOURCE FAIR, JANUARY 2014

SAVE THE DATE
CIRI SHAREHOLDER JOB AND RESOURCE FAIR

**TUESDAY
JAN. 28, 2014
1st. FLOOR CIRI BLDG.**

Building on the success of the 2013 Ciri Job and Resource Fair, Ciri is pleased to announce the opportunity for shareholders and descendants to attend the next fair scheduled for Jan. 28, 2014.

The 2013 Job and Resource Fair created the opportunity for more than 120 shareholders and descendants of all ages to meet with representatives from Ciri-affiliated companies, tribal and village entities, and other organizations to discover new opportunities for employment.

“The way I was spoken to by company representatives was friendly and courteous. I received lots of information about jobs of which I can and will apply for,” commented a 2013 shareholder attendee.

During the 2013 Fair, various industries were present from tourism and construction to nonprofit businesses and law enforcement agencies.

The representatives were pleased with the turnout and the potential of Ciri shareholders and descendants that attended. When asked the reason for attending the job fair, the majority stated, “To increase Alaska Native hire.”

In order to increase relevance to the attendees,

“The way I was spoken to by company representatives was friendly and courteous. I received lots of information about jobs of which I can and will apply for.”

– SHAREHOLDER ATTENDEE

Ciri has created an online survey to find out what types of employment opportunities and industries shareholders and descendants would like represented at the 2014 Job and Resource Fair. To complete the survey, visit www.surveymonkey.com/s/X5QHPPG.

Ciri is reaching out to more vendors to attend the 2014 Job and Resource Fair. If your organization is interested in being a vendor, please contact the Ciri Human Resource department at (907) 274-8638.

As the Ciri Job and Resource Fair draws closer, additional information will be provided about specific companies attending, what positions they are seeking to fill and on how to prepare for the event. ☰

www.surveymonkey.com/s/X5QHPPG ➤

SEEKING SHAREHOLDERS TO HELP BUILD THE NEW FIREWEED BUSINESS CENTER

Ciri seeks to hire shareholders to build the Fireweed Business Center. The now vacant 8.35-acre site at the corner of Fireweed Lane and the New Seward Highway will soon be home to Ciri’s corporate offices, as well as upscale, commercial office space available for lease.

Site preparation began this month and construction is scheduled to begin next spring. The building is projected to be completed in the winter 2014. Ciri Land Development Company (CLDC) is leading the project with RIM Architects and Davis Constructors & Engineers, Inc.

If you have experience in the construction industry, have a skill listed in the box to the right or have worked for a union and are interested in being added to a list of candidates for employment consideration, please contact Ciri’s Human Resources department at (907) 274-8638 or email info@ciri.com.

If you do not have experience but are interested in learning more about construction training and licensing opportunities, visit the Alaska Department of Labor website at www.jobs.state.ak.us/training.htm.

Shareholders and descendants that decide to pursue additional training or licensing opportunities may be eligible for scholarships and grants to help with the cost of tuition and other direct educational expenses.

To learn more about educational funding opportunities, please contact The Ciri Foundation at (907) 793-3575 or by email at tcf@thecirifoundation.org.



➤ Crews with Davis Constructors & Engineers, Inc. begin site preparation work for the Fireweed Business Center.
Photo by Jason Moore.

HAVE YOU EVER?

- Worked for a union
- Operated heavy equipment
- Held a CDL
- Expedited material
- Worked as a heavy laborer
- Worked as a mechanic
- Set grade
- Worked in masonry
- Prepped footing forms
- Used hand tools
- Used power tools
- Framed a structure
- Constructed scaffolding
- Worked with sheet-metal
- Completed plumbing installations
- Run electrical wiring
- Roofed
- Installed fixtures
- Worked as a finish carpenter
- Cleaned a construction site

If you have experience in any one of the above listed skills and are seeking employment, please contact Ciri’s Human Resources department at (907) 274-8638.

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IN MEMORY

Roger Charles Canfield Jr., 45

Roger Charles Canfield Jr. passed away May 27 at Good Samaritan Hospital in San Jose, Calif. Mr. Canfield was born Oct. 14, 1967, in Anchorage. He is survived by his sisters, Desiree Madsen and Elma E. Carboni who was like a mother to Roger; brother-in-law, Kevin Madsen; and nieces and nephews.

Thomas Oliver Christiansen, 75

Thomas Oliver Christiansen passed away August 17 at St. Elias Hospital in Anchorage. Mr. Christiansen was born Dec. 17, 1937, in Anchorage. He was a pipefitter with the Local 367 for more than 50 years. Thomas is survived by his wife of 35 years, Suzanne Marie Christiansen; and daughters, Teresa Oppegaard, Vanessa Rodman and Darlene and Karen Christiansen.

Emma Lois Colburn, 93

Emma Lois Colburn passed away August 19 at St. Lawrence Assisted Living Home in Anchorage. Ms. Colburn was born Oct. 25, 1919, in Lazy Bay, Alaska. She enjoyed gardening, walking and biking. Her caring heart touched many. Ms. Colburn is survived by her daughter, Sylvia L. Pond; and sons, Jack C. King and Stuart C. Colburn.

Caron Davis, 61

Caron Davis passed away August 9 at the Alaska Native Medical Center in Anchorage. Ms. Davis was born in Nome, Alaska. She was a proud member of Operating Engineers Local 302 and enjoyed fishing, hunting, beadwork, berry picking, carpentry and travelling. Ms. Davis is survived by her husband, Paul Davis; daughter, Sherry Graves; grandchildren, Wyatt and Trinity; and sisters, Bertie Gerdes, Darlyn Hill, Kim Scarlett, Lynn Merrick and Bea Pierce.

Kathy Rae Hartnett, 63

Kathy Rae Hartnett passed away July 9 at home in Ojai, Calif. Ms. Hartnett was born July 6, 1950, in Bellingham, Wash. She is survived by her sons, Travis Severson and Nathaniel Hartnett; daughter, Danielle Hartnett; and sisters, Kim Froedge and Kristi LaMonte.

Harry Hogenson, 78

Harry Hogenson passed away July 14 at home in Ketchikan, Alaska. Mr. Hogenson was born Aug. 20, 1934, in Seldovia, Alaska.

Richard C. Larson Sr., 71

Richard C. Larson Sr. passed away June 28, 2012, at home in Anchorage. Mr. Larson was born Oct. 29, 1940, in Dillingham, Alaska. He is survived by his wife, Agnes M. Larson; daughters, Sophie Larson, Christina Larson-Dike and Tamara Larson-Benedicto; sons, Dwayne, Richard Jr., Emil and Boris Larson; and many grandchildren.

Eddie Lee Oldaker, 65

Eddie Lee Oldaker passed away April 17 in Las Vegas, Nev. Mr. Oldaker was born May 26, 1947. He is survived by his wife, Helen Rose Oldaker; and daughters, Samantha Barber, Brenda Rice and April Ceniseros.

Gilbert Ollestad, 89

Gilbert Ollestad passed away August 10 at Providence Seward Mountain Haven in Seward, Alaska. Mr. Ollestad was born Dec. 27, 1923, on Yukon Island outside of Seldovia, Alaska. He was a life-long fisherman in Cook Inlet and also fished in Kodiak, the Bering Sea and Bristol Bay. Mr. Ollestad is survived by sons, Burt, Jeff and Tollak Ollestad; daughter, Onnolee Ollestad; sister, Thelma Patton; five grandchildren, three great-grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews.

Gerald Lars-Monroe Soosuk, 59

Gerald Lars-Monroe Soosuk passed away August 17 at Mercy Medical Center in Redding, Calif. Mr. Soosuk was born June 27, 1954, in Fairbanks, Alaska. He is survived by his sisters, Lena, Ruth, Betty, Rose and Annelle; and brothers, Grant and Myles.

Grace Putkuk Vallee, 87



COURTESY OF CAROL VALLEE

Grace Putkuk Vallee passed away June 8 in Anchorage. Ms. Vallee was born May 18, 1926, in Point Hope, Alaska. She graduated from Haskell Institute in Lawrence, Kansas in 1948. Ms. Vallee returned to Alaska in 1954. She worked for the original Alaska Native Service Hospital located in Anchorage for 15 years before retiring and working with her husband in the private sector. She enjoyed camping

and fishing throughout Alaska, and going to the whaling festivals in Barrow, Alaska. She is survived by her children, Arthur Bruce, Lawrence, William, Harold and Carol Vallee; and grandchildren, Katharine Bruce, Corrine Bruce-Benken, Dr. Melissa Vallee Shein, and Christopher, James and Heather Vallee.

Harold A. Woods, 49

Harold A. Woods passed away on July 25 at home in Fairbanks, Alaska. He is survived by his brothers, Jerry Woods and Paul Woods Jr.; and sisters, Jeanne Woods and Margaret Taylor.

Condolences

Ruth A. Burnell, 86
Clyde John Eben, 76

Marie Norma Shepard, 94
William H. Wilson Jr., 70