

FIRE ISLAND WIND PROJECT SPINNING STRONG



> A worker performs turbine blade repairs at Fire Island Wind. *Photo by Jason Moore.*

The location of Fire Island presents certain challenges. The 5.5-mile-long island is uninhabited and completely separated from Anchorage. But the team tasked with the operation and maintenance knows the island well; they frequently fly to its small airstrip to carry out regular maintenance and upkeep, including oil changes, snow removal and monitoring the turbines for damage.

During an aerial survey of the turbine blades in the spring, the team realized that wind had eroded some of the blade tips. Chris Jimenez, operations manager for the Fire Island Wind Project, orchestrated transporting contractors to the island to carry out the repairs. Crews began by climbing 260 feet to the nacelle, the housing at the center of the blades, then rappelling 130 feet down on ropes to the blade tips. There, they chipped away the damage and applied new epoxy material to preserve the integrity of the blades.

"It's a preventative measure to stop the damage from getting any worse, and it's done in a way that minimizes the amount of downtime for the operation," Jimenez said.

2016 marked a year of record-high energy output for the project – 55,580 megawatt hours (MWh), up from 50,170 in 2015 and 47,470 in 2014. Energy production was 8.6 percent above budget, while operating expenses were 5.3 percent below budget.

"September marks the five-year anniversary of the Fire Island Wind Project, and everything's performing really well," Settle said. "In addition to better-than-expected energy production, we saved money on operating costs since many of the items we had budgeted for didn't require maintenance."

Also in 2016, Fire Island Wind was lauded by General Electric Company as one of the top four wind energy projects in the country. The data looked at a project's ability to produce energy, given appropriate wind conditions. Fire Island Wind showed consistently high availability, averaging 98.6 percent availability over the calendar year—an impressive percentage by industry standards.



> The 11-turbine Fire Island Wind Project is located three miles off the coast of Anchorage. *Photo by Oscar Avellaneda-Cruz.*

FIRE ISLAND WIND PROJECT HISTORY

The idea for a commercial-scale wind project was first vetted in the late 1990s by Chugach Electric Association, Alaska's largest electric cooperative. Chugach analyzed 22 potential sites in Southcentral Alaska, and Fire Island was ultimately chosen for its prevailing wind conditions, proximity to the existing Railbelt power grid and minimal environmental impacts, among other factors.

However, after the studies were conducted, Chugach shifted its focus to providing energy from natural gas and the wind project was put on hold. "But CIRI had years of reliable wind data energy assessments in front of us confirming Fire Island as a commercially viable wind resource," said CIRI's Suzanne Settle, senior director, Energy Development. "CIRI Director Margie Brown, who was CIRI's president and CEO at the time, said 'We can do this. Let's develop it ourselves.'"

The Regulatory Commission of Alaska approved a power purchase agreement between Fire Island Wind and Chugach Electric Association on Oct. 10, 2011, clearing the way for major construction to begin. Parts and equipment began arriving in Anchorage in the spring of 2012. On Sept. 24, 2012, Fire Island Wind began commercial operation. In its first quarter of operation, the project performed better than expected, helping to relieve a critical natural gas shortage during the winter months of 2012-2013.

Leven turbines. Seven thousand homes powered. Each year, 300 million cubic feet of natural gas (equivalent to 146.5 million kilowatt hours) saved. For five years, the Fire Island Wind Project has powered Anchorage. "We've had a good run," said CIRI's Suzanne Settle, senior director, Energy Development. "As the region's first major independent power producer, we're just coming off our best year ever."

Fire Island Wind LLC, a CIRI company, owns and operates the 17.6-megawatt Fire Island Wind Project, located three miles off the coast of Anchorage. Seventy-five percent (3,200 acres) of the land on Fire Island is owned by CIRI, and the company is in the process of obtaining the remaining 25 percent. The project began delivering clean, renewable energy to Anchorage homes and beyond in the fall of 2012. "Developing and operating the Fire Island Wind Project for CIRI has led to many energy-related business opportunities," Settle said. "We became involved in at least eight other investments after we constructed Fire Island, and we continue to look for ways to expand our energy portfolio."

For information on the Fire Island Wind Project, visit www.fireislandwind.com. ≒

In 2017, CIRI came to close to winning approval for Phase 2 of the project that would have doubled its size. CIRI and Fairbanks-based Golden Valley Electric Association signed a power purchase agreement, but negotiations with other utilities that would have to pass the power through their grids made the project uneconomic.

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A WORD FROM THE PRESIDENT

Sophie Minich, CIRI President and Chief Executive Officer

CIRI recognizes its duty to be a responsible steward of CIRI lands and resources, always striving to strike a balance between sustainability developing resources to improve opportunities for our shareholders and protecting the land for future generations. Part of CIRI's strategy in this regard is to invest in the latest technologies and finance mechanisms to harness the power of renewable energy, which creates jobs and generates profits for shareholders.

When the Fire Island Wind Project began delivering clean, renewable energy to Anchorage homes in the fall of 2012, it benefited virtually every Southcentral Alaskan by increasing competition and helping stabilize our region's longterm power costs. CIRI worked with more than 75 local, state, national and even international businesses to develop the project; in its first year of operation, Fire Island Wind supported more than 100 local project-development and construction jobs. As the region's first commercialscale wind project, it brought a new industry into the fold, generating ongoing tax revenue for local government and creating ongoing jobs and revenue for CIRI and other regional businesses that support the local economy.

As CIRI celebrates the five-year anniversary of the Fire Island Wind Project, we are excited to see what the future holds. While it's disappointing that we could not reach agreement with the utilities on Phase 2 of the project, we look forward to continuing the discussions to bring lowcost, renewable energy to Alaska's Railbelt.

Meanwhile, CIRI's energy portfolio has grown substantially in recent years. Fire Island Wind demonstrated CIRI's ability to develop a successful project; today, we are recognized as not only a project developer, but as a company capable of providing the financial capital to invest alongside expert partners in the energy industry. In 2016, CIRI provided debt financing to an energy fund managed by Capital Dynamics to support the Briscoe Wind Project, a 20,000-acre, 150-megawatt utility-scale wind project in Briscoe County, Texas. This joins equity investments in five utility-scale wind projects under Capistrano Wind Partners, and a wind energy project in Washington State.

Whether investing in renewable energy projects or leasing CIRI lands for responsible oil and gas exploration in the Cook Inlet area, CIRI's investment strategy is targeted at fulfilling our company's mission – to promote the economic and social wellbeing of our shareholders for generations to come.



As our region's first major independent power producer, we'll continue to explore other ways to produce energy with minimal impact on the land and our environment.

Warm regards,

Jophie Minich

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> Photo courtesy of Autumn Olson

Autumn Olson

Autumn Olson has some advice for young people interested in applying for CIRI's summer internship. "Do it. If you're on the fence, go over the fence. Even if you don't want to go into business, still do it. You learn a lot of reallife skills. It's extremely beneficial. Be open to the opportunity. There are so many people who will believe in you and inspire you."

CIRI in the **COMMUNITY**



UNITED WAY CAMPAIGN KICK-OFF

CIRI kicked off its annual United Way campaign Sept. 15 with a chili cook-off. Employees paid \$5 to taste-test 12 different chilis, and then voted on their top three favorites. All proceeds from the cook-off went to United Way of Anchorage. Attendees also heard presentations from Lisa Sauder with Bean's Café/The Children's Lunchbox and Joy Star Lovitt of United Way, both of whom thanked CIRI for its ongoing corporate support. In recognition of Hunger Awareness Month, a canned food drive for Food Bank of Alaska was held in conjunction with the kick-off. CIRI annually raises funds for United Way with a campaign that offers employees a number of ways to support the organization and its goals. Pictured left to right are CIRI Community Relations Manager Rachel Batres, Bean's Café/The Children's Lunchbox Executive Director Lisa Sauder and United Way of Anchorage Corporate Relations Director Joy Star Lovitt. Photo by Carly Stuart.

Autumn would know. After graduating with a bachelor's degree in psychology from the University of Washington in Seattle, she secured a position as a CIRI summer intern where her skills were put to good use in CIRI's Human Resources (HR) department.

"The internship is really jam-packed, and it's really hands on," she said. "There are so many opportunities to learn and grow, and I did a tons of things in HR – recruitment, onboarding, systems testing. It was really cool for me to see all these business practices and to see how CIRI's values are put into practice in everything we do."

A CIRI shareholder of Iñupiaq descent, Autumn is connected to CIRI through her mother, Vickie SHAREHOLDER SPOTLIGHT, CONTINUED ON PAGE 03

CIRI employees are able to arrange payrolldeducted contributions to the United Way of Anchorage, with the company matching 50 percent of each contribution. Over the years, CIRI and its employees have invested nearly \$2 million in the Southcentral Alaska community through ongoing support to United Way.

"Many people intend to donate to their favorite charities over the course of a year, but for whatever reason, they may not get around to it," said Rachel Batres, CIRI's community relations manager. "Payroll deductions are truly a gift. When I donate \$20 per paycheck, I hardly notice it. But by year's end, I have donated more \$500 to my charity of choice. Add CIRI's 50 percent match, and now my charity has over \$750 it would never have received if I hadn't participated in United Way. I think it is a wonderful way to give back to the community."

Visit www.liveunitedanc.org for more information on United Way of Anchorage, including its key initiatives of Strong, Financially Stable Families, Successful, Prepared Kids, Healthy Kids and Adults, and Homelessness.



IN-REGION GRAVEL AGREEMENT EXECUTED



In an effort to bring consistent environmental and commercial standards to future gravel mining agreements, CIRI and six in-region ANCSA village corporations (Chickaloon Moose Creek Native Association Inc., Eklutna Inc., Knikatnu Inc., Ninilchik Natives Association Inc., Salamatof Inc. and Tyonek Native Corp.) and one in-region ANCSA group (Montana Creek Native Association Inc.) signed a Universal Gravel Agreement on July 28. The signing culminated nearly five years of work. The hope is that the agreement provides opportunities for the organizations to work with CIRI to responsibly develop the region's gravel resources. Pictured are representatives from six of the corporations/groups. *Photo by Carly Stuart.*

CEREMONY MARKS COMPLETION OF MAJOR CONSTRUCTION ON HAWAII DEVELOPMENT



> An aerial view showing the Makahū'ena Estates property. Photo courtesy of Makahū'ena Estates

As CIRI's land development project on the Hawaiian island of Kaua'i nears completion, several local honored guests and neighbors, along with CIRI President and CEO Sophie Minich and CIRI Real Estate Vice President Chad Nugent, participated in a traditional Hawaiian dedication and blessing. According to Hawaiian custom, when a place of business, new land development or new home opens its doors, it is common to invite a Hawaiian kahu (guardian or minister) to bless the location.

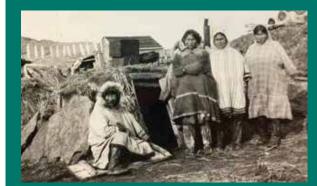


CIRI granted public pedestrian access along the rocky coastline where one can visit and enjoy views of the Pacific Ocean.

Before development began, CIRI made a commitment to directly engage with stakeholders in the process and keep residents informed about construction activities. Nearby residents were largely complimentary of the process, and they enjoy improved views due to the work done by CIRI. "I'm pleased, as we near the end of the project, that the community is both appreciative and supportive of the development," Minich said.

The major construction work had to be completed in a short window of time to accommodate migratory birds, so CIRI was focused on being diligent with its work while doing all it could to mitigate noise and dust impacts to local residents. CIRI employed a strong local contractor and design team, which was imperative to the project's success. "It's great to have the major construction behind us and see the beautiful result that was our vision," Nugent said.





The Kalerak family in the early 1900s near Nome, Alaska. Photos from Autumn Olson's personal collection. Kalerak of Nome, Alaska; her father, who hails from the Pacific Northwest, is of Norwegian ancestry. Growing up in Seattle, Autumn said she was aware of her Alaska Native heritage but didn't have many direct ties to her culture.

"I had sealskin slippers. We always had smoked salmon; we called it Eskimo candy. I would wear my kuspuk. Little things like that," she said. "We actually lived in Anchorage for a year when I was 9 years old, and my mom worked at CIRI. As I got older, I started reading the Raven's Circle newsletter but I didn't know much beyond that. I really wanted to know more about CIRI, the business aspect of it, and I wanted to understand my culture. This internship provided the perfect opportunity."



In addition to job-related duties, CIRI summer interns participate in a number of workshops and activities. This summer, First Alaskans Institute hosted a leadership discussion that included Alaska Native dancing, drumming and singing. It was a new experience for Autumn.

"It wasn't about how good you were – they were just inviting us to participate. It was kind of awkward at first, but we really got into it!" she said. "We also had leadership discussions – what we can do within our families and communities to reach a whole and healthy state of being."

Another highlight of the internship was a tour of the Alaska Native Heritage Center, followed by a workshop. The interns learned beadwork and attended an Iñupiaq language immersion class. Lunch centered on traditional Alaska Native foods like caribou stew, muktuk and sheefish.

"During the tour we saw replicas of Iñupiaq homes, which were built partly underground," Autumn said. "The openings were really narrow, and I learned that the openings of real Iñupiaq homes were even narrower since they had keep out polar bears. I just thought, 'Wow, my family was so hardcore, crawling in out of these narrow, dark

A group gathered Aug. 9 for the Makahū'ena Estates dedication ceremony. L to R: CIRI consultant Jan TenBruggencate, CIRI President and CEO Sophie Minich, Kaua'i Mayor Bernard Carvalho, cultural practitioner Kahu Kauilani Kahalekai and prime contractor Jeff Fisher. *Photo by Chad Nugent.*

Located in the popular community of Poipu on the southern tip of Kaua'i Island, Makahū'ena Estates sits between two existing condominium developments. The land was originally acquired by CIRI in 1996 from the federal government. A long entitlement process and significant earthwork transformed the 13-acre site into residential estate lots fronting the ocean. A popular destination for vacation travelers, as promised, Just as Alaska Native people have a connection to their land, so do the people of Hawaii. Having the opportunity to end this element of the project with a traditional ceremony was impactful to those who participated. CIRI extends its appreciation to everyone involved on the project.

Makahū'ena Estates, located on the warm, sunny side of Kauai, with views of mountain ranges, is an oceanview property near beaches, golf courses, shopping and dining. For information, visit www.makahuenaestates.com. ≒ tunnels all day!' It just drove home how resilient and creative the Alaska Native people are."

Those qualities were passed down to Autumn. Despite graduating from a top university and forging a promising start to her professional career, she has experienced her share of hardships. Family members have struggled with illness and addiction. She was homeless for a time. "It's been challenging," she admits. "I relied on Jesus and a lot of prayer."

And plenty of hard work.

"In high school, I made a firm decision that education is really important," she said. "I put it in my mind and was really determined. I had a lot of really great mentors at school, particularly

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INTERN-al AFFAIRS



As I enter the final stretch of my CIRI summer internship, I can't help but reminisce about all the amazing experiences I've had. I feel blessed to have worked and contributed my ideas in such a welcoming business environment. The

Corporate Communications team is remarkable, and I learned something from each and every team member. While my summer may be coming to an end, I will carry with me the lessons and experiences this internship has afforded me.

One highlight of my internship was a project that a fellow intern, Autumn Olson, and I worked on. Our idea was a new website that would provide a platform for CIRI shareholders and descendants to share their CIRI stories. The Corporate Communications team helped me to produce a video to be incorporated in the proposed website. This was a great learning experience for me because I learned just how much work goes into creating a professional video – from writing the script to finding the right music, every detail matters. In the end, the final product makes it all worthwhile. I look forward to seeing how our idea takes shape.

Although I am sad to see my internship come to a close, I know that this is only the beginning of my relationship with CIRI. My advice to all shareholders and descendants is to learn more about CIRI and the benefits it has to offer. I never thought an internship could be so rewarding! As for the future, I intend to graduate in the spring with a degree in finance from Washington State University, after which I hope to find a job in a field I'm passionate about. Whether that job keeps me in Washington, brings me back to Alaska or takes me elsewhere is yet to be seen, but I know this will not be my last time in Alaska because there is still so much to see and learn. Thank you to everyone at CIRI for this incredible opportunity to learn and become part of the CIRI family.

Amore Drew Johnson



TWO CIRI SHAREHOLDERS NAMED NATIVE AMERICAN 40 UNDER 40

A prestigious award that recognizes 40 emerging Alaska Native and American Indian people who have demonstrated leadership, initiative and dedication and made significant contributions in business and/or in their community, the National Center for American Indian Enterprise Development recently announced its 2017 40 Under 40 Awards. Two CIRI shareholders are among those chosen. Please join us in congratulating Adam Leggett and Raina Thiele!



Adam Leggett, Dena'ina Athabascan – Anchorage, Alaska A veteran of the U.S. Navy and a shareholder of CIRI and Eklutna, Inc., Adam currently serves as the Alaska Native program manager at engineering firm Stantec. In this role he oversees activities related to business development, client management and delivery of services. Adam is also responsible for marketing and implementation of Stantec's Alaska Native program and developing and sustaining relationships with Alaska Native tribes and corporations, including 8(a) and set-aside opportunities. Adam serves on Eklutna, Inc.'s scholarship committee and as a council trustee for the Native Village of Eklutna. He holds a bachelor's degree in business management from Florida State University and a master's degree in business administration from Alaska Pacific University.



Raina Thiele, Dena'ina Athabascan and Yup'ik – Washington, D.C.

As associate director of intergovernmental affairs during the Obama administration, Raina served as a liaison to tribal governments and as an advisor on climate change and arctic and energy issues. She was also a lead organizer of President Obama's trip to Alaska in 2015 and helped spearhead development of the Generation Indigenous Initiative. In 2016, she founded Thiele Strategies LLC, a consulting company. She was also active in Hillary Clinton's presidential campaign as a fundraiser and policy committee member. Raina holds a bachelor's degree in political science from Yale College and a master's degree in public policy from the Harvard Kennedy School of Government.

CIRI BIDS 2017 SUMMER INTERNS FAREWELL



> Photo courtesy of Evelyn Redding.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

CIRI shareholder Evelyn Redding is pleased to announce the birth of her granddaughter, Josclyn Renee Barbour. Little Josclyn was born May 3 weighing 8 pounds, 5.5 ounces, and measuring 21 inches. Parents are Susanne and Dustin Barbour. She joins an older brother, Damien Ray.

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> CIRI's 2017 summer interns, L to R: Drew Johnson, Autumn Olson and KC Chickalusion. Photo by Carly Stuart.

A program that creates opportunities for students and recent graduates to directly apply their education in a practical work setting, CIRI's summer internship program allows shareholders and descendants to gain insight into CIRI's culture and businesses.

"2017 represents the third year of CIRI's significantly-expanded summer internship program," said CIRI President and CEO Sophie Minich. "These young people represent the next generation of business leaders. We are tremendously proud of all they accomplished in their 12 short weeks with the company." On Aug. 16, three of the interns – KC Chickalusion, CIRI Business Development/Shareholder Programs; Drew Johnson, CIRI Corporate Communications; and Autumn Olson, CIRI Human Resources – presented to CIRI employees.

"Hearing what our interns had learned over the summer, the projects they worked on and their plans for the future was a great way to wrap up this year's program," Minich said. "If these young people represent the future of CIRI, we are in good hands."



ARE YOU A MISSING CLASS MEMBER OR CLAIMANT OF THE COBELL SETTLEMENT?



Deadline to Submit Documentation: November 27, 2017

In late 2010, the class action litigation initiated by key plaintiff Elouise Cobell v. Salazar against the Department of Interior settled for \$3.4 billion, and then-President Barack Obama signed legislation authorizing the reimbursement of funds to eligible class members. Unfortunately, thousands of Alaska Native and American Indian people who are eligible to receive funds have yet to come forward, others have failed to keep their addresses current with the claims administrator, and still others have passed away and their heirs have yet to present a death certificate and/or the necessary documentation to substantiate the right to inherit.

The final deadline for submitting documentation so that payment can be made has been set by the U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia as Nov. 27, 2017. Visit www.indiantrust.com for additional information and to search the Cobell Whereabouts Unknown list for your name or the names of your friends and relatives. New names are still being added, so even if you checked the list before, you are encouraged to check it again. All questions should be directed to the claims administrator by calling (800) 961-6109; emailing info@indiantrust. com; or sending correspondence to Indian Trust Settlement, PO Box 9577, Dublin OH 43017-4877.

Funds Deposited on Behalf of Missing IIM Account Holders Subject to Forfeiture

Whether or not you are a missing claimant under the Cobell settlement, the Department of **Interior Special Trustee for American Indians** (OST) might be looking for you. OST is separately seeking current addresses for a number of Individual Indian Money Account holders whose whereabouts are currently unknown, including some individuals who have had Cobell payment funds deposited to their accounts. The funds held for these missing individuals will be forfeited and transferred to the Cobell Scholarship Fund in November or December of 2017 if they fail to update their accounts.

Visit www.doi.gov/ost/wau and scroll down to view the OST Whereabouts Unknown list to find out if OST is looking for you or any of your friends or relatives. If your name is on OST's Whereabouts Unknown List, you may find out how to update your information by calling the Trust Beneficiary Call Center at (888) 678-6836 or writing to the Office of Special Trustee, attn: Trust Beneficiary Call Center, 4400 Masthead Street NE, Albuquerque, NM 87109. All questions about OST's Whereabouts Unknown List and the process for updating an address with OST should be directed to OST. 🛤

ALASKA NATIVE LEADER TO BE FEATURED ON \$1 COIN



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»»»» RECIPE»



SALMON CHOWDER Adapted from the recipe by Elise Bauer, www.simplyrecipes.com.

As the author wrote about this recipe, "It's rich, smoky and comforting. It's our 'Left Coast' answer to New England clam chowder."

START TO FINISH: 70 minutes (25 minutes active) SERVINGS: 4 to 6

INGREDIENTS:

4 ounces bacon, chopped 2 cups cleaned, sliced leeks 1 cup sliced celery 3 cups cubed potatoes (about 3 medium potatoes) 2 cups chicken stock 2¼ cups water 1/2 teaspoon salt 2 bay leaves 1 sprig of fresh thyme, or 1 teaspoon dried 1 tablespoon butter or margarine 1 to 1¼ pounds trimmed, skinned, salmon fillet, cut into 1-inch cubes ¹/₂ cup corn (optional) 2 tablespoons flour A pinch of ground black pepper 34 cup (6 ounces) heavy cream 1/2 teaspoon lemon zest Chopped fresh chives (for garnish, optional)

DIRECTIONS:

- 1. Cook bacon in a 5- to 6-quart heavy-bottomed enamelware pot until lightly browned. Drain fat, reserving 1 tablespoon in the pot.
- **2.** Add celery and leaks to the bacon and reserved bacon grease and cook on medium heat until softened.
- **3.** Add potatoes, stock, water, ¹/₂ teaspoon salt, bay leaves and thyme to the pot. Increase heat to bring to a simmer, then lower the heat and simmer on medium-low until the potatoes are cooked through (about 10 to 15 minutes).
- **4.** While the soup is simmering, prepare the salmon. Place salmon in a bowl, sprinkle with flour and black pepper. Toss to coat. Melt 1 tablespoon butter in a non-stick skillet on

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Elizabeth Peratrovich

Dollar Coins program, which honors and recognizes the important contributions made by Indian tribes

side of the coin changes each year; the other side features Sacagawea.

Born July 4, 1911, in Petersburg, Alaska, Peratrovich against the cruel treatment that consigned Alaska Native people to a second-class existence. Peratrovich's testimony was instrumental in the passage of the Anti-Discrimination Act of 1945, which prohibited racial

Peratrovich's late son, Frank, was an original CIRI original CIRI shareholders.

To view the candidate designs, visit www.usmint.gov. 🗎

- medium high heat.
- 5. Working in batches if necessary, lightly brown the salmon on one side, then turn over to brown on the other side. (The salmon doesn't have to be cooked through, just lightly browned.)
- 6. When the potatoes are cooked through, use a slotted spoon to transfer the salmon to the soup pot. Add corn, if using. Cook gently for 5 minutes then remove from heat. Stir in the cream and lemon zest. Add salt to taste and garnish with chives.

The Raven's Circle would like to feature our readers' favorite recipes! To submit visit www.ciri.com/recipe.

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Nathan Lee Bordewick, 64

Nathan Lee Bordewick passed away July 11 at the Alaska Native Medical Center in Anchorage. Mr. Bordewick was born Jan. 17, 1953, in Nenana, Alaska. He is survived by Donald Takak Jr., Reuben M. Mixsooke, Katherine E. Arca, Laura Mixsooke Moscoso Wilder and Karen Sue Mixsooke Whiskers.

Alice Sue Greene, 68

Alice Sue Greene passed away July 19 in Homer, Alaska. Ms. Green was born Aug. 15, 1948, in Nanwalek, Alaska. She worked in English Bay and Nanwalek as a teacher's aide, social worker, village public safety officer, drug and alcohol counselor, bilingual teacher and community health representative. Her hobbies included four-wheeling, fishing, crocheting, singing and dancing, and tea with siblings. She is remembered as a master at akutaq (Eskimo ice cream) and an avid pie and bread baker. Ms. Greene is survived by her children, Juanita A. Bales, Kevin "Auggie" Seville, Keith "Mister" Seville, Mandy M. Wood, Zoya R. Greene, Travis C. Greene and Jay Jae A. Greene.

Marlene Ondola, 49

Marlene Ondola passed away July 20 at the Alaska Native Medical Center in Anchorage. Ms. Ondola was born April 15, 1968, in Anchorage. She is survived by her mother, Susie Ondola; sister, Marianne Ondola; brother, Walter Ondola; and son, Brandon Ahkivgak.

Charlene Mae Russell, 62

Charlene Mae Russell passed away July 18 at the Alaska Native Medical Center in Anchorage. Ms. Russell was born Sept. 21, 1954, in Anchorage. She is survived by her children, Connie and Patrick Russell; sisters, Daisy Clark, Cheryl Gargrave and



> Charlene Russell

Elizabeth Heimburger; brothers, Walter Jr., Erroll and Ronnie Thomas; sisters-in-law, Margret Thomas and Erin Thomas; and several grandchildren.

Alberta Maggie Steve, 47

Alberta Maggie Steve passed away Oct. 21, 2016, at home in Saint Michael, Alaska. Ms. Steve was born Sept. 18, 1969, in Kotzebue, Alaska. She is survived by her husband, Victor Steve; and children, John R. Cheemuk III, Douglas C. Steve, Robin M. Steve, Hunter T. Steve and Harriet R. Steve.

Charles Fredrick Zimmerman, 89

Charles Fredrick Zimmerman passed away June 28 at Lea Hill Rehabilitation and Health Care Center in Auburn, Wash. Mr. Zimmerman was born Sept. 3, 1927, in Sommerset, Pa. He worked as a fisherman in Alaska before relocating to Seattle where he and his wife owned a moving and storage business. They retired in 1999 and lived in a retirement home community where they made many friends. Mr. Zimmerman is survived by his wife, Clarice Zimmerman; daughter, Gail Lee Dobrasz; and son, Charles Zenus Zimmerman.



SAVE HE DATE **CIRI and The CIRI Foundation Friendship Potlatches**

KENAI

Saturday, Oct. 14 • 11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Kenai Middle School, Kenai, Alaska RSVP by 3 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 6

ANCHORAGE Sunday, Oct. 22 • 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Begich Middle School, Anchorage, Alaska RSVP by 3 p.m. on Monday, Oct. 16

NORTHWEST

Saturday, Nov. 4 • 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Chief Leschi School, Puyallup, Wash. RSVP by 3 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 27

Friendship Potlatches offer CIRI shareholders an opportunity to socialize and celebrate important cultural traditions with family and friends. Every year, the potlatch program includes cultural entertainment, children's activities, Alaska Native arts and crafts booths, CIRI-affiliated nonprofit information booths, door prizes and a meal that includes traditional Alaska Native foods.

The Friendship Potlatches are open to CIRI shareholders, confirmed CIRI descendants and their immediate family members (i.e., spouse, children and parents). Daycare is available upon advance request.

PLEASE RSVP

Please RSVP and help CIRI plan for enough food for attendees and their families:

- Via the shareholder portal at https://qenek.ciri.com
- Via the CIRI website at www.ciri.com/potlatch
- or (800) 764-2474 (choose option 5).

CULTURAL ACTIVITIES

- Smoked Salmon Contest: Enter your smoked salmon for a chance to win \$250! Please bring enough salmon for five judges to taste-test.
- Attendees are encouraged to wear traditional regalia.
- Or by phone at (907) 263-5191 Traditional craft activities will be provided for children.

ARTS AND CRAFTS

CIRI shareholders and confirmed descendants who are interested in displaying or selling arts and crafts should email info@ciri. com or call (907) 274-8638 for information and to reserve space.

CIRI RECEIVES OUTSTANDING PARTNER AWARD FROM U.S. FISH & WILDLIFE SERVICE

For its role in helping to construct a fuel break around the community of Sterling, Alaska, CIRI has received an "Outstanding Partner" award from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

A fuel break is a strip of land on which flammable vegetation and debris have been removed so it can act as a barrier in the event of a wildfire. Fuel breaks help protect area residents, maintain firefighter safety and provide decision space in the event of a wildland fire. CIRI became involved in the project because a portion of the eight-and-a-halfmile-long fuel break rests on CIRI land.



Condolences

Michael Frank Charles, 62 Lillian Hanaka, 77 Donna Marie Lee, 55 Brenda Ann McInturff, 55 Shelly Ann Peterson, 42 Herbert William Theodore, 85 Charmaine Lavonne Triplett, 51 Gale Blanche Vidal, 56

Located on the Kenai Peninsula 15 miles east of Soldotna, Sterling has seen its share of wildfires in recent years. In 2014, the Funny River Horse Trail fire consumed nearly 200,000 acres. In 2015, the Card Street Fire scorched 9,000 acres not far from the Funny River blaze.

The fuel break project began in June 2016 and concluded this summer. Its success relied on multiagency and landowner cooperation, including the Alaska Mental Health Trust, CIRI, the Kenai Peninsula Borough and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. Other partners included the Alaska Department of Fish and Game, the Alaska Division of Forestry and Chugachmiut.

> CIRI Surface Estate Manager Ben Mohr displays the "Outstanding Partner" award given to the company by the USFWS.

According to Ben Mohr, Surface Estate manager for CIRI, "The Outstanding Partner award recognizes external partners who have made significant contributions to the conservation of natural resources in the region, of which CIRI is proud to have played a role."



IMPORTANT CIRI DATES

OCT. 9, 2017	Indigenous Peoples' Day
OCT. 19-21, 2017	Annual Alaska Federation of Natives Convention
NOV. 20, 2017	Fourth quarter direct deposit deadline: 3 p.m. AKST; CIRI Craft Bazaar table registration deadline
NOV. 23, 2017	Thanksgiving: CIRI offices closed
NOV. 24, 2017	Native American Heritage Day: CIRI offices closed
NOV. 29, 2017	Fourth quarter change of address deadline: 3 p.m. AKST
DEC. 2, 2017	CIRI Holiday Craft Bazaar: 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.



OCT. 19-21, 2017 Dena'ina Center, Anchorage, Alaska Open to the public, the annual Alaska Federation of Natives (AFN) Convention is the largest representative gathering in the U.S. of any Native peoples, bringing together thousands of Alaska Native individuals, businesses and organizations,

observers and special guests from around the

globe. www.nativefederation.org

Koahnic, KNBA to Air Live AFN Broadcast KNBA will air live coverage of the AFN Convention proceedings Oct. 19-21, broadcasting from the Dena'ina Center in Anchorage to public stations across Alaska. Learn more at www.KNBA.org.

> Photo courtesy of @Ken Graham Photography.com.

SAVE THE CIRI'S 4th Annual Holiday Craft Bazaar

10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 2 CIRI's Fireweed Business Center 725 East Fireweed Lane, Anchorage



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> Photo courtesy of Lisa Pullen.

MARRIAGE ANNOUNCEMENT

CIRI shareholder Lisa Pullen is pleased to announce the marriage of her son, Connor J. Pullen. Connor married Kat Solernou July 14 in North Carolina. He recently received his certification in fire sciences from Gateway Community College in New Haven, Conn., and will continue his studies this fall. The couple resides in Connecticut. Connor is the grandson of CIRI shareholder Viola Hansen.



> Photo courtesy of Rose Koezuna-Clark.

GRADUATION ANNOUNCEMENT

Congratulations to CIRI shareholder Kimberly Antoinette Clark, who graduated Aug. 25 from U.S. Marine Corps boot camp in Paris Island, S.C. Ms. Clark has aspirations of becoming a military police officer. ■

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a math teacher. I would go to school at 7 a.m. and get home at 5:30 p.m. I would stay at school to do homework and ask a million questions."

It's a strategy that worked.

"I started out in beginning math, and by my senior year I was in AP statistics," she said. "It speaks to the power of having people in your life who invest their time, push you, challenge you."

As for the future, Autumn has plans for medical school. She would like to parlay her degree in psychology into a career as a psychiatrist. The CIRI internship gets her off to a good start.

"The staff members, they want to give you opportunities to learn and grow. The cultural opportunities will push you too. It's a super meaningful experience; you'll form life-long friendships with the other interns. Everyone at CIRI is eager to share knowledge and what they've learned along the way. I'm so grateful for the opportunity."

Showcase your handmade Alaska Native arts and crafts!

If you are an artist who wishes to sell your handmade arts and crafts at CIRI's Holiday Craft Bazaar, contact Carolyn Bickley at (907) 274-8638. Deadline to register: 5 p.m. Monday, Nov. 20.

All vendors are limited to one 6-by-2-foot nonelectric table. Vendor fees waived for and priority given to CIRI shareholders and confirmed descendants. For all other vendors, nonrefundable table fees are \$20. For more information on CIRI descendant registration, visit the CIRI website at www.ciri.com/descendants or contact Shareholder Relations at (907) 263-5191 or (800) 764-2474. CIRI's Summer Internship Program creates opportunities for students and recent graduates to directly apply their education in a practical work setting while gaining excellent experience and insight into CIRI's culture and businesses. The 12-week paid internship runs from June through August. The application period is open year round. To be considered for the 2018 program, applications must be received by May 11, 2018. For more information, visit www.ciri.com/internship. ■

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The following CIRI shareholders do not have a current mailing address on record. When CIRI mail is returned as undeliverable, the distributions are held and the shareholder does not qualify to participate in any prize drawings until the address is updated. Shareholders with Qenek portal accounts may update their addresses online. Alternatively, shareholders may visit CIRI's website or call Shareholder Relations at (907) 263-5191 or (800) 764-2474

(As of 09/27/2017)

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When CIRI shareholders pass away, gathering the information necessary to settle the stock estate is often a difficult task and may delay settlement. CIRI is looking to contact the individuals listed below in connection with the following estates:

- Estate of Thomas William Highsmith Tonya Lorraine Highsmith
- Estate of Lily Mae Marshall Kamette R. Myers and Christian James Marshall
- Estate of Richard Lloyd Sargent (aka Lloyd Richard Sargent) Derek Bernard Sargent and John Michael Sargent Clark

• Estate of Leonard Turgeon – Ashley Moore

If your name appears above or you know the whereabouts of any of the individuals listed above, please contact CIRI Probate at (907) 263-5191 or toll free at 1-800-764-2474, and select option 4.

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- Update your contact information
- RSVP for shareholder events
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