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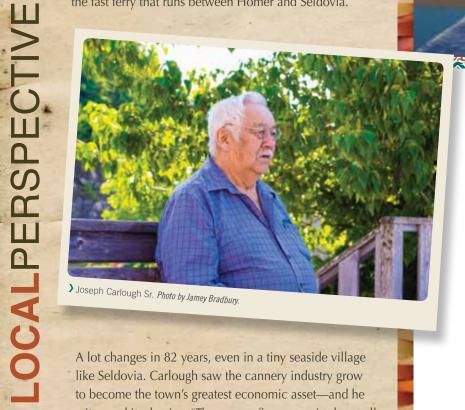


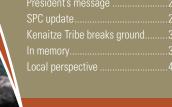
### Joseph Carlough Sr.

just drained the bay dry."

"I've been all over Alaska, but this is my home," says 82-year-old CIRI shareholder Joseph Carlough Sr. of Seldovia. As a commercial fisherman, he fished the Bering Sea out of Adak. He fished Cordova and Chignik. He fished in Kodiak and lived through the tsunami swells that hit the island after the 1964 Good Friday earthquake. "That was something," he remembers. "There was three big swells that came in. The first one, when it went out, it

Then, when he quit commercial fishing, he got a job with CIRI Alaska Tourism Corporation, running boats for Kenai Fjords Tours for 11 years. Until just last year, he captained the fast ferry that runs between Homer and Seldovia.





The village of Seldovia lies on the shores of Kachemak Bay and once enjoyed a robust fishing and cannery industry. *Photo by Brianna Cannon.* 

t's easy to pick out a visitor on the streets of Seldovia, says Laurel Hilts, prevention program coordinator for Seldovia Village Tribe (SVT). "They're the ones who don't wave when they see you."

Giving a brief walking tour of the city, she raises a hand to greet friends and neighbors too many times to count. On a blazingly gorgeous summer day - the kind that gives the city its motto, "Another Day in Paradise" — people are out and about, running errands, fishing or joining kids in the children's Ch'anik'na Program for a hike on McDonald Spit, where a local science expert will teach them about marine life. It's this kind of access to what SVT assistant director and CIRI

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Throughout 2015, this newsletter will continue to profile the seven ANCSAcertified villages in the Cook Inlet region. The series takes a look at what life is like in each village: the attractions, the opportunities, the challenges. We're also expanding the CIRI website with profiles, human interest stories and interviews that will recount each visit. Go to ciri.com for more information.



A lot changes in 82 years, even in a tiny seaside village like Seldovia. Carlough saw the cannery industry grow to become the town's greatest economic asset—and he witnessed its demise. "There were five canneries here, all along the waterfront," he recalls. "We had a crab cannery and then for a while we had a shrimp cannery. It was

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### A WORD FROM THE PRESIDENT

Sophie Minich, CIRI president and chief executive officer

What a wonderful summer it is in Alaska. Whether you live here in the state or outside, I hope you've been able to enjoy spending time with family and friends and experiencing the outdoors.

The downside of our warm weather in Alaska is the heightened fire danger. Of the hundreds of wildfires statewide, several have impacted portions of CIRI land. It's a good reminder to all of us to be fire-wise as we enjoy our outdoor recreation.

The past month has been an exciting and frenzied time at CIRI as we moved our headquarters from the CIRI Building at 2525 C Street, where we have been located for close to 40 years, to our new home at the Fireweed Business Center. We are all moved in now, and this building is truly an investment in which we can all take great pride. I invite all of you to stop in for a visit when you are in Anchorage. Our Shareholder Relations department is on the top floor, which I am confident you will find demonstrates the respect and commitment this company has for you, our shareholders.

As you may know, CIRI occupies roughly 40 percent of the Fireweed Business Center. The challenge before us now is to lease the remaining 60 percent because this building is, first and foremost, an investment aimed at delivering greater returns to shareholders.

### **HIGHLIGHTS PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

- CIRI has officially moved its headquarters from the CIRI Building at 2525 C Street to its new home at the Fireweed Business Center, with Shareholder Relations now located on the eighth floor.
- The challenge before us now is to lease the remaining 60 percent of the building because it is, first and foremost, an investment aimed at delivering greater returns to shareholders.
- While low oil prices and state cutbacks have made Alaska's economy somewhat uncertain, I remain confident the Fireweed Business Center is well positioned to attract long-term tenants because there is nothing in the Anchorage market that can compare to its quality, energy efficiency and spatial comfort.

When the CIRI Board of Directors approved the project's development, they recognized that it would take time to lease the space to quality tenants. These are big decisions for companies, and we are already working with commercial real estate brokers to facilitate those discussions.

"Despite the existing challenges, I remain confident the Fireweed **Business Center is well positioned** to attract long-term tenants, and here's why: There is nothing in the Anchorage market that can compare to the quality, energy efficiency and spatial comfort that the Fireweed **Business Center offers.**" - SOPHIE MINICH

It is fortunate that we have such a quality product to offer because Alaska's economy faces a degree of uncertainty brought by low oil prices. In fiscal year 2014, oil and gas revenues represented 88 percent of Alaska's unrestricted general fund and are projected to provide for 83 percent of general funds through 2024. As a result of the lower prices, the Alaska Legislature is grappling with a sizable fiscal deficit and the prospect that oil prices may not rebound for the next few of years. Potentially large cutbacks in state spending are being discussed, as are the tax incentives and credits that are offered to both large and small companies exploring for new oil.

In addition, the large oil companies active in Alaska are implementing measures to control costs, which impacts many of the support companies that serve the oil industry. While there have already been isolated layoffs at some of these companies, many in the industry are expecting large-scale economic impacts related to the oil price decline.

These are the challenges we are facing at a time when CIRI is trying to lease 65,000 square-feet of office space. When your Board approved the investment, oil prices were close to \$100/barrel. Today, the price is closer to \$55/barrel. So, it is fair to say, we face some headwinds that were unforeseen at the time the project was approved.



Nevertheless, we are already seeing strong interest from potential tenants, particularly those in the medical field—a fast-growing industry not impacted by oil prices. Our real estate team is hosting frequent tours of the building and helping to answer all the guestions that come with the decision to locate a business in a new space.

Despite the existing challenges, I remain confident the Fireweed Business Center is well positioned to attract long-term tenants, and here's why: There is nothing in the Anchorage market that can compare to the quality, energy efficiency and spatial comfort that the Fireweed Business Center offers. The views are spectacular, the location is excellent and the amenities are superior.

I look forward to the day we can announce that new tenants have made the decision to make the Fireweed Business Center their new home. Until then, I invite you to come by soon and see it for yourself. 🖱

Jophie Minich

Sophie Minich

### SHAREHOLDER PARTICIPATION COMMITTEE UPDATE

CIRI welcomes the following new Shareholder Participation Committee (SPC) members:

#### **Alaska SPC Committee**

Nancy Yeaton, Nanwalek, AK Christopher Ondola, Tuntutuliak, AK Tina Tucker, Seldovia, SK



Which of the following statements are true? (Check all that apply)

Descendants who are already CIRI

CIRI regularly communicates with

### **Anchorage SPC Committee**

Kathleen Graves Sharon Padilla Gretchen Sagan Lower 48 and Hawaii SPC Committee

Marcella Henrie, Washington, UT Ryan Tesdal, Corvallis, OR Angela Averett, Odenville, AL

Each year, SPC members are chosen through a random drawing from the names of voting shareholders who are at least 18 years of age, have indicated an interest in participating on a committee and have correctly answered a questionnaire about CIRI that is mailed to all voting shareholders prior to the Annual Meeting of Shareholders. The correct answers for the 2015 questionnaire are shown here:

shareholders do not need to register as CIRI descendants.

- Descendant I.D. cards indicate if the bearer is a direct lineal descendant of an Alaska Native CIRI shareholder, or of a non-Native shareholder, and may help to establish eligibility to receive services from various agencies and organizations.
- CIRI descendant I.D. cards may be presented to vendors and shareholder and descendant business owners that provide descendant discounts and used to check in at CIRI events if the descendant arrives before the shareholder.

descendants so it is important for contact information to be kept up-todate.

- Descendant information may be updated online, using a form available on CIRI's website, or an email with the full name, changed information and a working telephone number may be sent to shareholderrecords@ciri.com.
- Quarterly prize drawings are conducted from the names of all confirmed descendants, with an email sent to the winner at the email address specified for receipt of CIRI eNewsletters. If the email address is not valid, another winner is selected.



### KENAITZE TRIBE BREAKS GROUND ON ELDER CENTER



> Artist's rendering of the future Tyotkas Elder Center in Kenai. Courtesy of Kenaitze Indian Tribe.

Kenaitze Indian Tribe leaders celebrated the recent groundbreaking of the Tribe's new Tyotkas Elder Center during a ceremony at the future home of the building. The new facility will consist of a one-story, 6,500-square-foot building with a commercial kitchen, an eating and gathering area, a lounge room and back office space for the center's employees. The project timeline calls for occupancy by the end of the year. Currently, the Tyotkas program serves more than 125 Elders and includes an Elders' lunch program, a caregiver support program, transportation to doctor appointments and other activities, home visits, abuse and neglect prevention, an Elder advocate program, exercise programs, field trips and traditional and nontraditional crafts. For more information, visit www.kenaitze.org. ➡

### **CIRI SERVICES CORPORATION NAMES NEW PRESIDENT**

The Board of Directors for CIRI's wholly-owned design/build construction subsidiary, CIRI Services Corporation (CSC), is pleased to announce the selection of Jared Edgar as the company's new president, effective June 17. Over the past year, Edgar, who previously served as CSC's vice president, worked closely with outgoing President Richard "Dick" Weldin. Edgar has been instrumental in improving organizational processes, procedures and business development at CSC and its subsidiary companies.

Weldin, a CIRI shareholder, notified the CSC Board earlier this year of his intention to transition to an inactive role in an effort to devote more time and energy to personal interests. "I know that the CSC Board of Directors and the entire CIRI family join me in wishing Dick Weldin the very best in his new pursuits," said CIRI President and CEO Sophie Minich. "Dick's leadership helped successfully establish CIRI's presence as a dominant construction company in the federal government contracting arena in the Alaska market." Weldin will continue in an advisory capacity to assist in a smooth leadership transition.

In addition to his time with CSC, Edgar brings more than ten years of U.S. Department of Defense experience advising and administering programs throughout the United States and internationally. He holds a juris doctorate from Willamette University and a master's degree in management from the University of Maryland. Edgar was raised in Wasilla, Alaska, and earned a bachelor's degree from the University of Alaska Anchorage.

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CSC and its subsidiaries (Weldin Construction, Silver Mountain Construction and ANC Research and Development) provide design/build construction, project management, self-performed electrical, mechanical, HVAC and heavy civil concrete services, as well as specialization in military and civilian fuel systems in Alaska and the Pacific region.



# INMEMORY

### Evelyn Haddon, 79

Evelyn Haddon passed away June 4, at home in Anchorage. Ms. Haddon was born Nov. 25, 1935, in Kodiak, Alaska. She is survived by her brothers, Michael and Paul Swensen; former husband, Milton R. Price II; children, Milton, Michael and Marie Price; grandsons, Raymond Pfluger (and his wife, Paula Lopez) and Justin Price; great-grandchildren, Alvin, Dylan and Kayla Skipworth; former daughter-in-law, Alison; former sonin-law, John Pfluger; sisters-in-law, Zeta Haddon and her family, Joyce Price and her family, Phyllis Swensen and Lana; nieces, Angela Swensen, Bobbette Sorensen and Beverley Whitney Smith; nephews, Michael, Timothy, Kurt, Eric and Jason Swensen and David, Larry and Robert Reddick; and cousins, Robert and Mike Inga and their families.

### Julian Wayne Morrison, 79

Julian Wayne Morrison passed away April 28, at Meadow Park Hospice in St. Helens, Ore. Mr. Morrison was born Feb. 8, 1936, in Kodiak, Alaska. As a U.S. Marine, Mr. Morrison was given a military burial at the Tahoma National Cemetery in Washington state. He had a long, prestigious career with the Federal Aviation Administration, serving throughout Alaska before retiring in 1998. He is survived by his children, K. Colleen Grogan, Dale W. Morrison, John A. Morrison, Douglas D. Morrison and Arthur L. Morrison; grandchildren, John and Christopher Grogan, Lindsay Grogan Luttrell, Alex, Casey, Daniel, Dana and James Morrison and Janilee Morrison McLeod; great-grandchildren, Dante, Karen, Lilianne and Julian S. Grogan, Bret and Jake Luttrell, Hunter and Lily Morrison and Dara Loder; sisters, Rosabel Baldwin, Susie Malutin, Toni Maupin and Maxine Bunch; and brother, Bobby Morrison.



> Julian Wayne Morrison. *Courtesy of Colleen Grogan* 

#### Frederick Archie Nielsen, 81

Frederick Archie Nielsen passed away June 12, at home in Anchorage. Mr. Nielsen was born August 14, 1933, in Sitka, Alaska. He is survived by Eileen Weathers, Donna Lightle and Rose Allen.

### Carolyn Victoria Paige-Debler, 58

Carolyn Victoria Paige-Debler passed away May 3, in Fairbanks, Alaska. Ms. Paige-Debler was born April 9, 1957 in Nenana, Alaska. She is survived by her daughter, Angela Marie Duncan; son, Richard Kenneth Martin III; and grandsons, Evan James Duncan, Andrew Scott Bush and Dominic Allen Martin.

> Outgoing Weldin Construction President Dick Weldin.

#### > Weldin Construction's new president, Jared Edgar.

### Eric Emil Schepp, 44

Eric Emil Schepp passed away June 7, at home in Seattle, Wash. Mr. Schepp was born January 22, 1971, in Anchorage. He is survived by his father, Jerry Schepp; mother, Karen Schepp; and sister, Sara Schepp.

### Carol Jean Schinagl, 62

Carol Jean Schinagl passed away March 28, at home in Harrison, Ark. Ms. Schinagl was born August 28, 1952, in Pleasanton, Calif. She is survived by her sons, Will Schinagl and Shawn Stathas; daughters, Krista Hall and Carly Besse; daughter-in-law, Christine; sons-in-law, Kevin Hale and Michael Besse; sisters, Mary Gacek and Linda Cromarty; brothers, Steven, David, Leo and Fredrick

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Seldovia holds an annual festival during which artists make carvings like the one above. Inset: In 2009, SVT built the Kachemak Voyager to ferry locals across the water. Photos by Brianna Cannon

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shareholder Trinket Gallien calls "the playground outside our back door" that keeps people living in or coming back to such a tucked-away place.

Located on the south shore of Kachemak Bay and home to about 370 people, Seldovia is accessible only by a 15-minute flight or a 45-minute ferry ride from Homer. Inaccessibility has fostered economic opportunity: In 2009, SVT built the Kachemak Voyager, a ferry that runs twice a day specifically to allow locals to get out of town and bring back groceries in a costeffective manner.

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quite a place, when all the fishermen would come in the summer, a couple thousand fishermen were here in the summertime."

Working as a commercial fisherman took him all over the waters of southern Alaska and gave him a legacy to pass on: Both of his sons are now commercial fishermen. Carlough's grandchildren and great grandchildren, meanwhile, have mostly settled in Anchorage. He doesn't blame the young folks for moving away.

"There's not much going on in Seldovia," he admits. "There's not a lot of jobs around here. In September, it folds up. You might as well shut off the lights here. There's nothing here for young people, that I can see, unless they've got a job down at the Tribe. The young people will stay here if there's a job for them."

Still, he notes, a new hotel has opened up, with yearround accommodations; maybe that will help kick-start Seldovia's tourism. And maybe more tourists will mean more jobs-and more opportunities for younger folks to stick around. "There used to be quite a few more people here when I was growing up, then it just faded away," Carlough remarks wistfully.

His own wife works for the Tribe, which is what Carlough says keeps him in the village. "I wouldn't mind moving, but my wife likes her job. If my wife retires, we'll probably move."

Now that he's retired himself, he looks forward to the days he and his wife take the ferry he once captained across the water to Homer; they drive north up the highway to visit their family, then come back to Seldovia, where things move at a more leisurely pace.

'It's expensive to live here," says CIRI shareholder Crystal Collier, president and CEO of SVT, the area's largest job provider, with about 80 employees. "Gas is high, food is high. Everybody knows you go to Costco to stock up."

Limited resources and opportunities mean that Seldovia usually sees its young people leave for college and work. But a surprising number of them return home after a few years. "It seems like there are people in their late 20s or early 30s who are having kids and deciding to come back because they recognize the value of what a wonderful place this is to grow up," Collier says.

People have long recognized the benefits of living in Seldovia. In the early- through mid-1900s, the city's economy thrived, with mining, logging and particularly fishing providing jobs for many Seldovians. Canneries, especially, fueled a significant economic boom for the city.

"When I was growing up, most all of us worked in the cannery at one time or another," recalls Gallien. "It was the largest employer at the time besides the school, and it was a great

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What else does he like to do? He shakes his head. "All I've done all my life is just work and fish." What about church? someone asks him and gestures to the old Russian Orthodox church.

"That church only gets used a couple times a year," he says. "The priest comes down from Kenai. And then sometimes they have a funeral there. But it's not open very much; it's pretty nice inside. I never really was a church guy. They've got another church down on the end here where everyone goes on Sunday. I stay away from there." He gives a low chuckle. "The ocean is my church."

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experience because you needed to learn that you don't want to be on the slime line for the rest of your life; you need to go out, become educated and get a job."

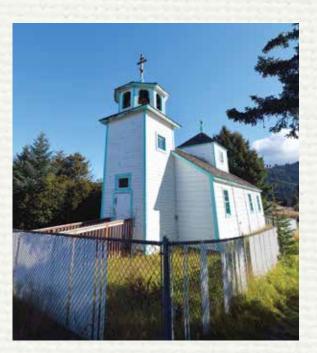
The 1964 Good Friday earthquake put an end to Seldovia's cannery industry and led to the eventual destruction of the town's once-popular boardwalk, which made it possible to walk from one end of Seldovia to the other no matter where the tide was at.

Tourism ebbs and flows, and the school population is smaller than it used to be. Winter can be challenging in such an isolated place. But the people of Seldovia are engaged and active. "Our elders are well taken care of," says Collier. There are senior meals and "Healthy Chatter" classes, and just this year Hilts headed up a walking challenge that had locals from age 12 to 83 participating. SVT emphasizes health above most things, with programs and services focused on whole body wellness, housing, drug and alcohol prevention and environmental stewardship. With a jurisdictional area that encompasses Anchor Point and Homer, SVT actively reaches out to other communities and people with cultural classes, events and health services. And everyone — Alaska Native people, non-tribal members, Japanese and Norwegian people — is welcome to participate.

"That's just who Seldovia is. It's always embraced lots of different cultures," says Collier.

Hilts chauffeurs her visitors "out the road," as locals say, away from Seldovia the town to Seldovia village, where most people live. She wants to show off the community garden, another SVT effort. Her passengers put on their seatbelts, and Hilts grins as she rolls through town at barely 25 miles per hour.

"That's the other way you spot a visitor," she says. "Locals never buckle up." 🖱



"When I was growing up, most all of us worked in the cannery at one time or another. It was a great experience because you needed to learn that you don't want to be on the slime line for the rest of your life." -TRINKET GALLIEN



Ceremonies are occasionally held at the local Russian Orthodox church (above), when a priest is available to come across the water from Kenai. Seaside houses (below) rest on raised platforms to avoid the tide. *Photos by Brianna Cannon.* 

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Seldovia Seldovia Bay	P	OPULATION	370
		LOCATION	Located on the Kenai Peninsula, along Kachemak Bay, southwest of Homer, Alaska
	TRADIT	IONAL LANGUAGE	Sugpiaq, Aleut, Dena'ina
		NAME	"Seldovia" is derived from "Seldevoy," a Russian word meaning "herring bay."
		SCHOOL	Susan B. English School, Pre-K through 12
		HCARE FACILITY	SVT Health & Wellness
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Pulcino and Junior Slwooko; and grandchildren, Brittney, Peter, Hannah, Samantha, Emily, Lauren, Connor, Olivia, Levi, Brooklynn, Cole, Kaelynn and Lakynn.

### Jessie A. Schoun, 70

Jessie A. Schoun passed away May 22, at the Kodiak Providence Care Center in Kodiak, Alaska. Ms. Schoun was born Nov. 30, 1944, in Kodiak, Alaska. She is survived by her brother, Dorrell E. Griggs; and sister, Mary A. Jorgensen.

### Paul Mark Smith, 57

Paul Mark Smith passed away April 7, at the University of Washington Medical Center in Seattle, Wash. Mr. Smith was born July 27, 1957, in Anchorage. He is survived by his wife, Deborah Y. Smith; daughter, Courtney L. Petty; sons, Josiah, Levi and Adam Smith; sisters, Mary Smith and Nora Kratzer; and many nieces and nephews.

### **Condolences**

Marlene Annette Andrews, 40 Ellen Ann Bogan, 84 Johann Carl DeMott, 54 Teresa Mary Gilbert, 55 Desiree Marie Lamont, 23 Charles Chris Leslie, 58 Kenneth Gene Skulstad, 74

## **MISSINGSHAREHOLDERS**

The following CIRI shareholders do not have a current mailing address on record. When CIRI mail is returned as undeliverable, distributions are held and the shareholder does not qualify to participate in any prize drawings until the address is updated. 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.

### (As of 7/16/2015)

Marlene Marie Adams Carla M. Arshen Ernest Dale Baker Jr. Daevin Brandon Barnes Timothy Vern Bell Alissa L. Bostrom John Gibb Bowen Kenneth Lawrence Boyle Christina May Briddick **Richard Kenneth Bright** James Patrick Brown Darlene Marie Bunger Sherrel Jean Calhoon Diana Marie Call Yvonne Marie Carlo Oliver Wendell Chapman Lecon limothy Chuitt Jr Wayne Scott Chulin Stacy Carroll Clark Deborah G. Cooper Tamra Lee Cox Cheri Jean Crawford Don Dale-Lief Crow Jacqueline Jean Dilts Edwin Fredrick Edelman Jr. Aaluk Susan Edwardson Anne Marie Elliott David James Engelstad Richard Albion Flood Elizabeth Anne Forsberg Amber Ellen Gardner Susan Helene Gonzalez Mary Ellan Guerrero Misty Amreacka Hancuff Virginia Mary Hazen

Donna Rachelle Hembroff Laura Ann Hermansen Marilou Evelyn Holstrom Suzanne Carlena Hutchens Kathleen Anne Hydle Harlan lyakitan Christopher Marion-Stone Jacobsson Cody Dee Johnsen David James Jordan Timothy Andrew Juliussen Rose Kahklen Cynthia Marge Kaloke Johnnie Melody Kammeyer Alyssa J. Kashevaroff Shara Marisa Kay Michael David King Shae Marie Kotongan Micah Kaimilani Kupihe Christy Ann Lange Nena Mary Larsen Duane Elia Larson Alec Rodney Lewis Diamond Sharmayne Lewis Sarah Yvonne Loeffler Thomas Guy Manuel Emil Carl McCord-Ketzler Candice Rose McIntyre Manuel Mesa Caitlan Lee Metcalf Alexander Matthew Miller Jack Joseph Milligan Darleen Susan Mishakoff Kristina Mary-Rose Mooney Karen Marie Moonin

### **REMINDER: YOUTH DEADLINES APPROACHING**

### Youth Representative Applications

Teens aged 13 to 17 have an opportunity to apply to be youth representatives on the Shareholder Participation Committee (SPC). To be eligible to serve, interested youth must be a CIRI shareholder or a confirmed, registered CIRI descendant and must submit (a) an application, (b) a letter of introduction, (c) a reference letter and (d) a short essay explaining why he or she wants to serve as a youth representative and what he or she knows about his or her Alaska Native heritage and about CIRI.

Youth representative applications must be received by Shareholder Relations by 5 p.m. Alaska Daylight Time on Aug. 13 to be considered. The application can be downloaded and printed at www.ciri.com or is available in the Shareholder Relations Department.

### Youth Art Contest Submissions

Interested CIRI shareholders or descendants aged 5 to 12 may submit original artwork interpreting the theme "#lamAKNative" and a completed entry form to CIRI to be entered in the 2015 Youth Art Contest. Winning entries will be displayed at the



> Outgoing Youth Representatives Katherine Clark, Parker Pickett and Kayleb Brooks

CIRI and The CIRI Foundation Friendship Potlatches this fall.

Youth Art Contest entry forms can be downloaded and printed at www.ciri.com and are also available in the Shareholder Relations Department. Completed art contest entry forms and submissions must be received by Shareholder Relations on or before 5 p.m. Alaska Daylight Time on Aug. 13. 2015 🗎



> CIRI summer interns Braden Kinnebrew, Nene Hale, Raymond Redmond, Randy Armstrong, Andrea Jacuk and Josh Henrikson.

### INTERN-al Affairs

I got a chance to catch up with my fellow interns this week through an informal luncheon hosted by Darla Graham, the manager of shareholder employment programs here at CIRI. As I was making my way to the third floor, I ran into Randy Armstrong, the Risk Management intern. Randy is in his senior year at the University of Alaska Fairbanks studying economics, and he's working with Pamela Keeler, CIRI's senior director of Risk Management, on an insurance claims project. He was in the middle of discussing some work-related mishaps when the smell of freshly made chips and salsa diverted our attention.

Anchorage and Houston High Schools, works in the Shareholder Relations department tracking down missing shareholders and otherwise helping to prepare for the second quarter dividend distribution. She attends Central Methodist University as a junior, where she plays basketball and majors in Business Administration.

Braden, an intern with the North Wind Group, works as the administrative coordinator in the company's South Anchorage office. Braden had not yet visited the new building and was subsequently denied access onto the elevators. A helping hand from security put him on the right path and united the man with his half-pound burrito.

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We stood behind the glass overlooking the expansive patio of the Fireweed Business Center (FBC) and the equally impressive Chugach Mountain Range. Joining us was Andrea Jacuk, CIRI's IT intern. That name might ring a bell because Andrea's mom, Katrina Jacuk, serves on the CIRI Board of Directors. Andrea has been working hard these past few weeks making sure all of our computers are working properly after the move to the FBC. She can barely enjoy her lunch when there are so many pressing tasks going on within the company. However, some things in life take precedence over others. Especially if they involve cheese.

Just as we started to chow down, fellow interns Dajonee "Nene" Hale and Braden Kinnebrew joined in on the fun. Nene, a local basketball standout at both East

Raymond Redmond wasn't able to join us that day as he is based in Palmer, Alaska, interning for CIRI Services Corporation. Raymond is working towards his Construction Management degree at the University of Alaska Anchorage and is learning about safety management in relation to construction projects.

With our break coming to a close, we parted ways, each of us darting off to our respective departments. Each of us checking our watches, phones or email while rushing back to report to our supervisors. It's almost as if we've become real employees. Here's hoping! 🖱

Josh Henrikson





### **NOT YOUR AVERAGE OIL CHANGE**

You won't find a Qwik Lube on Fire Island. When you need an oil change at CIRI's wind energy project just off the coast of Anchorage, you have to call a pro and charter a plane. Then you need a climbing harness. And a winch system to lift the oil 262 feet off the ground. Get the picture? It's not easy changing the oil in wind turbines.

"Anything that requires getting supplies to the island takes time, and you have to think it through," said Suzanne Gibson, senior director of Energy Development at CIRI. "We have to get the oil over to the island and then get the drums loaded on a truck and dropped off at each turbine so when the contractor arrives on the island they're ready to go, because time is money."

CIRI contracted with workers from Techeol to accomplish the vital task of changing the gear oil in all 11 wind turbines at Fire Island in mid-June. Each turbine holds 90 gallons of oil. First, a detergent is added to the existing oil in preparation for the changeover. Next, all of the old oil has to be drained and lowered to the ground. Then a flushing fluid is hoisted

up the turbine and injected to clean the used oil out of the gearbox and oil cooler. Step four, drain the flushing fluid. Finally, the new oil is lifted and poured into the turbines. Each step of the process is crucial.

"We call it the bucket brigade methodology," Gibson said. "In the Lower 48, they would have a pump and run a hose from the top of the turbine down to the ground and feed it all through there. But at Fire Island we can't do that so we have to raise these buckets over and over again both to get the oil up and to get the oil down. And then we have to transport [used oil] back to Anchorage to properly dispose of it."

The undertaking is logistically challenging and costly. But it needs to be done. The cost of the oil change process is miniscule when compared to the cost of replacing a broken gear box if the oil failed to do its job.

It took about two weeks, but the crew successfully performed the oil change in all 11 turbines. The new oil is expected to last six to seven years before it needs replacing. 🖱



### WINNER'S CIRCLE

To increase participation in certain programs, CIRI holds periodic prize drawings from the names of those enrolled who meet certain criteria and have a current mailing address with CIRI. If CIRI has returned mail, a different winner will be selected. Visit the CIRI website or call (907) 263-5191 or (800) 764-2474 to learn more.

The following shareholders have been selected as winners for the most recent CIRI drawings:

### **STOCK WILL PARTICIPATION PRIZES**

**\$200 Monthly Stock Will Prize:** 

- **April Janet Ann Harris**
- May John Anthony Clare
- June Karen Ann Otton

Second quarter drawing for Apple iPad: Jack Kvasnikoff Jr. Must have a valid will on file that complies with CIRI's fractional share policy.

### **DIRECT DEPOSIT DRAWING**

Second quarter \$500 random drawing: **Maxine Harper Richart** The direct deposit instruction must be current with CIRI to win.

### **eNEWSLETTER DRAWING**

Second quarter drawing for Kindle Fire HD: **Mark James Berestoff** 

Must be enrolled in the eNewsletter program with a valid email address on file.

### **CONFIRMED DESCENDANT DRAWING**

Second quarter drawing for a Fitbit: Mandy Joy Guerri

Direct lineal descendants of CIRI shareholders who are not themselves shareholders, who have submitted legal documents substantiating descent and who have a valid email address on file.

### **TCF SPONSORS ANCHORAGE MUSEUM CONVERSATIONS**

Over the next two years, the Anchorage Museum will host conversations on issues important to the contemporary and future Circumpolar North as part of the Think Up Here series. Sponsored in part by a grant from The CIRI Foundation, the Curated Conversations program will host and document a number of discussions relevant to northern people and places. These cross-disciplinary conversations will include artists, civic leaders and scientists to address common misperceptions in and outside the North and foster critical commentary about these issues.

The first two conversations in the Curated Conversations series dealt with issues of representation and tood security. The second conversation focused on the significance of locally-sourced and traditional foods for strengthening wellness and identity. Upcoming conversations will address issues such as cultural commodification, boundaries and sovereignty, creative advances in the resurgence of indigenous languages and the core question of what it means to be a Northerner. 🖱

Workers tackle the complicated task of changing the oil in the 11 turbines at Fire Island Wind. Above, Suzanne Gibson consults with Project Director Pete Stewart, front, and Energy Project Technician Peter Odren. Photos by Jason Moore.

### SAVE THE DATES:

Aug. 28, 2015, 5:30-7:30 pm: Culture of Commodity; Commodity of Culture Sept. 4, 2015, 5:00-7:00 pm: Edges

Visit www.anchoragemuseum.org for more information.

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## **SHAREHOLDERESTATES**

#### Also missing

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 Laura Edith Monroe Laurie Michelle Phelps
- Estate of Richard Lloyd Sargent (aka Lloyd Richard Sargent) – Rebecca Sargent and Jonathan Sargent

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 (800) 764-2474.



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### SHAREHOLDER CYBER SECURITY

### Tips from CIRI's IT department

With technology advancing at an ever-increasing rate, it can be difficult to stay informed on how to keep your personal information safe while surfing the web. Recent news of cyber attacks on banks, healthcare organizations, hospitality providers and retail outlets can make most of us hesitant to provide sensitive information online.

### 2. Make sure your computer is up-to-date:

Keep your computer updated with Windows updates, anti-virus protection and software updates for applications like Java, Adobe Acrobat, Flash and other programs that you commonly use.

3. Avoid banking and online purchasing activities when using open or public WiFi networks:

By following these guidelines, you can substantially reduce your risk of losing personal information to cyber criminals and enjoy the convenience of the Internet without becoming a thief's next target.

COMDUTING COBERTERRORIST AUTHENTICITY CYBER ATTACKS

**So how do you protect yourself from cyber criminals without avoiding the internet entirely?** Sounds like a difficult task, but by using some simple guidelines, you can still enjoy the convenience of online shopping, banking and trip-planning without over-exposing yourself to online threats.

#### 1. Use a computer that you trust: Whenever

possible, make sure to use a computer that belongs to you. Use of computer kiosks and other public-access computers in libraries or hotels is fine for normal web-browsing; however, providing your personal information or making credit card purchases from these computers is highly discouraged.

Whenever possible, do your banking and shopping from your home and avoid using networks provided by coffee shops, hotels or other publicly provided networks.

4. Keep your accounts password-protected, and change them regularly: Password protection for online accounts is generally required when you are providing personal information. If you encounter a website that is asking for sensitive information from you but has not asked you to create an account or otherwise identify yourself, avoid giving any information without first verifying that the site is legitimate.



