JUST FOR KICKS: CIRI DESCENDANT BREAKS TWO WORLD RECORDS AT NYO

At 5:30 p.m. on Thursday, April 24, after a day of activity at the 44th annual Native Youth Olympic Games (NYO), CIRI descendant Autumn Ridley was just warming up. That afternoon, she’d already placed third in the Kneel Jump, and now, as the first day of competition drew to a close with its final event, Autumn had one thing on her mind: breaking a world record.

“I didn’t really care about winning,” says Autumn, who in 2012 set her first world record in the girls’ Alaskan High Kick, which requires an athlete to balance on one hand while launching one foot into the air to kick a suspended ball, then land on the kicking foot. “I’m already the record-holder, so I just really wanted that new record. I knew I was going to kick it. I just knew.”

Autumn’s confidence was rewarded when she shattered her previous record by kicking at a height of 83 inches. Not satisfied with simply competing with herself, she went on the next day to break a 25-year-old world record by kicking a 79-inch height in the Two-Foot High Kick.

“It was a long journey,” she says of her achievement. “I was really proud and honored, and it was a huge relief because I’ve been trying really hard to have a season like this. I kept telling myself, ‘Dream big, Autumn.’”

More than 500 students from across the state dreamed big at this year’s NYO, an event organized by Fire Danger Closes CIRI Lands to Public Use

Please be advised that due to extreme fire hazard, all CIRI lands are closed to recreational use permits until further notice. In the interest of public safety, CIRI lands will not be available for recreational use until the danger has passed. Please check the CIRI website at www.ciri.com for further updates as they are available.
It was great to be back in Kenai last month for the Kenai Shareholder Information Meeting. I was happy to see so many of you come out to learn about CIRI’s business and to share your ideas for how to continue to make CIRI a successful company.

While in Kenai, it was gratifying to hear about the progress of the new Dena’ina Wellness Center, a project two years in the making that is meant to address all dimensions of wellness for Alaska Native and American Indian people on the Kenai Peninsula. With the grand opening slated for next month, the building looks extraordinary, and CIRI is proud to have played a part in supporting this project.

The Dena’ina Wellness Center, designed and constructed by the Kenaitze Indian Tribe, was one of three projects nationwide to receive the highly competitive Indian Health Service Joint Venture award. The program will provide funding for the Wellness Center for a minimum of 20 years. This is a fantastic achievement for the Kenaitze Indian Tribe, who will see the end result of years of hard work and planning as the Wellness Center opens its doors in June. And this “end” is only the beginning of many years of service to the people of the Kenai area.

People are what make any organization great, and I’m thrilled to report that the employees of both CIRI and CIRI Alaska Tourism Corporation (CATC) recently voted the companies the #7 and #1 best places to work in Alaska, respectively. The Alaska Journal of Commerce conducted the survey and recently published the results. The survey allowed employees to anonymously answer detailed questions that measured employee satisfaction. That CIRI companies took not one but two spots on the list means both CIRI and CATC employees believe in the companies they work for. CATC not only showcases Alaska’s natural wonders but allows visitors to our state to appreciate our people and the relationship between our traditions and the natural world. CATC is also an employer of many CIRI shareholders and descendants, and a strong contributor to CIRI’s bottom line.

At CIRI, the commitment and enthusiasm of our employees – many of whom are CIRI shareholders and descendants, and other Alaska Native individuals – is an important ingredient of our success. Companies achieve better results when its employees want to go to work, embrace challenges and strive for greatness. While the accolades are fun, the real reward of being named one of Alaska’s best places to work is the recognition that CIRI is able to attract and retain the diverse expertise among our employees that has allowed CIRI to grow. With the company’s goal sharply focused on growing shareholders’ equity to enable larger shareholder dividends, we need a committed and enthusiastic team working together to make that possible.

Finally, as a reminder, the 2014 CIRI Annual Meeting is scheduled for June 7 at the Dena’ina Civic and Convention Center in Anchorage. If you are in the Anchorage area, I hope you can join us. More information about the annual meeting can be found on the CIRI website.

Sophie Minich
Trinity Standifer
Spirit of Youth Award Recipient

CIRI descendant Trinity Standifer, of Tyonek, has a superpower. She can’t see through walls or fly without the aid of an airplane – but she can look at any situation and know exactly how to make it better.

“Watching my younger brothers and sisters definitely inspired me to take care of other kids.”
– TRINITY STANDIFER

“I’ve never yet heard her say, ‘I can’t make this happen,’” says Bonnie Pierce, campus family support manager for Project GRAD, a nonprofit school improvement program. “Trinity puts programs together; she’ll say, ‘Let’s have a basketball team,’ and then she’ll figure out what it will take, and she makes it happen.”

That can-do attitude is one reason Pierce nominated Trinity for a Spirit of Youth Award in the service to children category. The award is designed to recognize and promote youth involvement in communities across Alaska. Last month, Trinity visited Anchorage to receive the award at the Spirit of Youth ceremony – where she was surprised to find she’d been honored with a second award.

“The ceremony was awesome anyway, and then the president’s award, too – that was a huge surprise,” says Trinity, who will receive a certificate from President Obama for the Presidential Service Award.

Typically, though, Trinity’s focus wasn’t on herself during the ceremony: “I got to listen to really heartwarming stories that made me cry. It was so amazing to see a bunch of kids do great work and be recognized for it.”

Even as a third-grader, Trinity had a gift for knowing exactly how to help others. She first caught Pierce’s eye when she stayed after school to help a janitor finish vacuuming.

Says Pierce, “All the maintenance people at the school were Elders from the village. Trinity recognized not only that she should be taking care of her school, but as a young person she also understood that she should be honoring her Elders.”

As an upperclassman at the K-12 Tebughna School, Trinity takes a leadership role, coaching and competing in the Native Youth Olympics, tutoring younger students and taking children to open gym at the Boys and Girls Club. She views her time outside of school as one more way to make it better.

“In 2013, the Youth Recognition Award was developed to recognize CIRI shareholders and descendants 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.

Please consider nominating a CIRI shareholder or descendant who you feel deserves recognition relevant to the selected award category. The nomination form is available online at www.ciri.com. lm

SIGN UP FOR ENEWSLETTERS TO BE ENTERED INTO PRIZE DRAWINGS, 7” KINDLE FIRE HD

The winner of the first quarter eNewsletter drawing was CIRI shareholder Teddy Martin Williams, who recently picked up his new, 7-inch Kindle Fire HD.

Shareholders enrolled in the eNewsletter Program receive interactive versions of the Raven’s Circle in lieu of paper newsletters. They receive their CIRI news faster, and CIRI saves on printing, processing and postage costs.

Your email address must be valid to win!

To increase participation, CIRI is conducting quarterly drawings for a 7-inch Kindle Fire HD from the names of all shareholders with a valid email address who are enrolled in the eNewsletter program. Shareholders have three more opportunities to win this year, with drawings conducted for the quarters ending June 30, Sept. 30 and Dec. 31. An email is sent to each winner at the email address specified for receipt of CIRI eNewsletters. If the email address is not valid, another winner will be selected.

Not enrolled in the eNewsletter program? Download an eNewsletter subscription form from the CIRI website at www.ciri.com or call (907) 263-5191 or toll-free at (800) 764-2474. And don’t forget, shareholders who receive eNewsletters may always request to receive paper copies of editions that are meaningful to them, and full copies of the paper newsletter will continue to be posted to the CIRI website in PDF format. lm

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NATIVE YOUTH OLYMPICS
2014 HIGHLIGHTS

Competitors and spectators at the 2014 NYO at the Dena’ina Civic and Convention Center.

NYO participants competing in the Eskimo Stick Pull competition.

Autumn Ridley reaches 83 inches to break the Alaska High Kick record.

Competitors from the Lake and Peninsula School District compete in the Wrist Carry competition.

PHOTOS BY JASON MOORE
REAL ESTATE, IT INTERNSHIPS BOOST CAREER PROSPECTS FOR SHAREHOLDERS

Sometimes the hardest part of starting a new career is getting your foot in the door. For Kristofer Franke, a CIRI shareholder, the foot-in-the-door moment came with a CIRI Information Technology (IT) internship. And it threw the door wide open to a full-time IT career.

“What I hoped to gain from my internship was work experience, a way to develop contacts in the industry and a game plan for my new career,” says Franke, CIRI computer and network support specialist. “But what I actually received through the CIRI internship was friends, a great atmosphere, many industry contacts, a mother lode of experience and an eventual job with this great company.”

CIRI is actively growing its internship programs and has an exciting new opportunity for shareholders and descendants interested in the fields of real estate, property development and property management.

The CIRI Real Estate Internship is designed to take participants through the life cycle of a real estate project, from the early stages of conceptualization and project planning, through property acquisition and design, to the final phases of property management and ownership.

Unlike traditional summer internships that introduce participants to one career field through working with a single organization, the CIRI Real Estate Internship will expose interns to the full spectrum of career possibilities with a variety of companies like the CIRI Land Development Company, Pape Dawson Engineers, RIM Architects, Weidner Construction, Weidner Apartment Homes, Inc. and more. The internship is targeted at shareholders or descendants who have just earned a bachelor’s degree, or who are in their final year of a four-year program.

“This is an exciting opportunity for CIRI shareholders or descendants who want to build a bridge from the knowledge they’ve gained in school to the start of a successful career in real estate or property development,” says Dave Pfeifer, CIRI Vice President, Real Estate.

“Internships like this one really make the difference when employers select from the many candidates who apply for a job,” adds CIRI Senior Director, Human Resources, Debra Ahern. “For CIRI shareholders and descendants, in particular, a CIRI internship can be an opportunity not only to demonstrate your talents to potential employers but to make connections that can turn into an exciting career with a CIRI-affiliated business or partner.”

In the past, CIRI has partnered with First Alaskans Institute to make its internship program a success. In August 2013, CIRI began partnering with Cook Inlet Tribal Council (CITC) and the Alaska Vocational Technical Center (AVTEC) to develop an internship program designed to open career pathways for CIRI shareholders and descendants interested in entering the IT field. “The internship helps by providing a team environment where shareholders can really learn how an IT team works in a business setting. This internship has been very successful. Three of our interns have been CIRI shareholders or descendants, and all three have earned jobs with CIRI or one of its subsidiaries,” says CIRI Senior IT Director Keith Ziolkowski.

Through this partnership, Bob Crowe became the first CIRI shareholder to participate. Working with CIRI’s IT department prepared Crowe for the 10-month Information Technology Program at AVTEC in Seward. After interning for one summer, Crowe completed the AVTEC program with scholarship assistance from CITC and The CIRI Foundation. This summer, he’s completing his externship with Doyon, after which he’ll be back at Talkeetna Alaskan Lodge, supporting IT operations. Crowe says, “Working with the CIRI team was the best way for me to make a career change.”

CIRI’s IT department currently has one internship available for a shareholder or descendant whose goal is to qualify for the AVTEC program in September, and an additional internship for a shareholder or descendant who already has IT training and is ready to gain practical business experience on an IT team. Interested applicants can contact Keith Ziolkowski at (907) 793-3320 for more information.

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by CIRI affiliate Cook Inlet Tribal Council (CITC) to celebrate Alaska’s rich diversity and foster values like teamwork, leadership and cross-cultural respect among Alaska Native and non-native students alike.

“NYO is a cherished event that has a lasting impact on all involved,” says Kelly Hurd, CITC director of development. “Autumn is a great example of how NYO serves as a training ground for tomorrow’s leaders, and she represents exactly why NYO is a cherished event that has a lasting impact on all involved.”

Each year, NYO features ten athletic events derived from the games Alaska Native people have used for generations to develop the skills needed to

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**SECOND QUARTER SHAREHOLDER DISTRIBUTIONS**

**Elders’ Settlement Trust payments**
The second quarter CIRI Elders’ Settlement Trust payment of $450 is scheduled for June 13, with the remaining 2014 Elders’ payments scheduled for September 12 and December 12. Original shareholders who are 65 years of age or older and who own at least one share of CIRI stock as of these dates are eligible to receive the $450 payments. For the June distribution, eligible Elders who have their CIRI dividends directly deposited will have their trust payments electronically transmitted to the same account by 6 p.m. Alaska Daylight Time on Friday, June 13. Eligible Elders who do not participate in direct deposit will have their payments mailed in check form on June 13.

**Second Quarter Dividend**
Consistent with CIRI’s dividend policy, second quarter 2014 dividends in the amount of $8.42 per share will be issued on Monday, June 16. If you own 100 shares of stock, your second quarter dividend will be $842. If you participate in direct deposit, your dividend will be electronically transmitted to your account by 6 p.m. Alaska Daylight Time on June 16.

**Direct Deposit Deadlines**
The deadline for signing up for direct deposit or changing an existing direct deposit instruction is 3:00 p.m. on Monday, June 2, for the June Elders’ Trust distribution, and 3:00 p.m. on Monday, June 16, for the second quarter dividend. Direct deposit forms are available from the Shareholder Relations Department, and may also be printed from www.ciri.com. To cancel direct deposit, please submit a signed, written request prior to 3:00 p.m. on June 5 for the June Elders’ Trust distribution, and 3:00 p.m. on June 20 for the second quarter dividend.

**Address Changes**
A list of shareholders who do not have a current mailing address on record is continually updated and located on the CIRI website.

**Tax reminder**
As a reminder, CIRI does not withhold taxes from distributions; however, shareholders who anticipate owing tax on their distributions have the option of making quarterly estimated tax payments directly to the IRS. To find out more about applicable federal and state tax requirements or making quarterly estimated tax payments, please consult with a tax advisor or contact the IRS directly.
**In Memory**

Catherine Elizabeth Atkinson, 72
Catherine Elizabeth Atkinson passed away April 6 at Kenai Eye Care Assisted Living Home in Soldotna, Alaska. Mrs. Atkinson was born Feb. 12, 1942. She enjoyed fishing in the summers with friends visiting from out of state. She was a devout member and minister of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church in Soldotna, Alaska. Mrs. Atkinson is survived by her husband, Lloyd Atkinson; daughter, Rosemarie Ray; sister, Anna Kramer (the only sibling remaining in the Okitkun family); grandson, Trevor Ray; granddaughter and husband, Cheisie and Darly Armstrong and their two children, Ava and Desmond; nephew and niece, Justin and Ruthie Baggett, and recent addition to their family, Adela; and Lloyd Atkinson’s extended family.

Geraldine Anne Helmich, 52
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**Johnna Rae Wilhelm, 44**
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**CALLISTO VOYAGER, READY FOR ADVENTURES IN SEWARD**

The MV Callisto Voyager in Seward, Alaska. Photo by Jason Moore.

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Kenai Fjords Tours’ (KFT) new state-of-the-art catamaran, the MV Callisto Voyager, is officially on board at Seward Windsong Lodge and Kenai Fjords Wilderness Lodge, as well as for excursions with Kenai Fjords Tours. Visit www.ktuu.com/morning-show/roadtrip to watch the videos that were shown on Anchorage’s Channel 2 News on Friday, May 2.

KFT is a subsidiary of CIRI Alaska Tourism Corp. (CATC), a wholly owned CIRI subsidiary. CATC provides a 30 percent shareholder discount to CIRI shareholders and their immediate family members for stays at the Talkeetna Alaskan Lodge, Seward Windsong Lodge and Kenai Fjords Wilderness Lodge, as well as for excursions with Kenai Fjords Tours. Visit www.ciritourism.com/shareholder.html to book your Alaskan adventure.

**IN TOUCH**

Gianna Allegra Joy Dean. Courtesy of Linda Olguin-Dean.

**BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT**

CIRI shareholder Linda Olguin-Dean and husband Thomas Olguin-Dean announce the birth of their daughter Gianna Allegra Joy Dean. Gianna was born Dec. 3, 2013, and weighed 9 lbs. 4 oz.
Celebrate Men’s Health Week with Southcentral Foundation

Southcentral Foundation (SCF) invites customers and owners to celebrate Men’s Health Week at the Anchorage Native Primary Care Center, June 9 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. daily.

This week-long observance of Men’s Health Week will feature a series of free, fun events including a variety of wellness activities, educational booths on screenings and prevention, and a chance to learn and share with other Alaska Native and American Indian men.

Participants will also have an opportunity to sign health pledges and be entered to win prizes.

For more information contact:

SCF Native Men’s Wellness Program
(907) 729-5208

SCF Health Education Department
(907) 729-2689 or visit www.southcentralfoundation.org

THE CIRI FOUNDATION
VOCAATIONAL TRAINING GRANT
DEADLINE NEARS, JUNE 30

The CIRI Foundation (TCF) is accepting applications for the June 30 Vocational Training Grant deadline from students enrolled in a technical skill training program at an accredited or recognized institution and earning a certificate/certification or professional license.

CIRI original shareholders and direct line descendants may complete their applications online at www.thecirifoundation.org. For more information, contact TCF by phone at (800) 784-3382 or (907) 793-3575, or by email at tcf@thecirifoundation.org.

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NORTH WIND SPONSORSHIP PROVIDES OPPORTUNITY TO LEARN ABOUT ENERGY POLICY

On March 21, CIRI subsidiary North Wind Group sponsored the Partnership for Science and Technology’s (PST) “Up n Atom” Breakfast at the Idaho National Laboratory (INL).

The meeting was an important opportunity for PST members to receive information about energy policy for the nation and discuss the role of the national laboratory in that policy.

North Wind, which is based in Idaho Falls, Idaho, is a wholly owned subsidiary of CIRI that provides a broad spectrum of engineering, environmental remediation and construction services for government and private projects including with INL.

Four U.S. Senators, including Sen. Lisa Murkowski (R-Alaska), presented at the meeting. These four senators represent significant influence in the areas of energy, environment, natural resources, Indian affairs and small business. Following the meeting, the Senators spent the rest of the day touring the national laboratory.

Mike Hart, president of PST, said, “PST was proud to partner with our local Alaska Native-owned corporation, North Wind, to welcome Senator Murkowski to Idaho and host this exciting event. We are fortunate to have North Wind as a founding member in our organization.”

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PST is an Idaho-based public interest organization that advocates for the advancement of science, energy and technology, and providing accurate and timely information on related regional activities including those at INL.

North Wind Group President Chris Leichtweis, Sen. Mike Crapo (R-Idaho) and Sen. Lisa Murkowski (R-Alaska) at the “Up n Atom” breakfast series in Idaho. Courtesy of North Wind Group.

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