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PRESIDENT BARACK OBAMA SPEAKS WITH ALASKA NATIVE LEADERS

During his historic visit in August and September, President Barack Obama spoke at the GLACIER Conference in Anchorage and held a roundtable discussion with Alaska Native leaders. AVCP President and Calista Corporation Board Member Myron Naneng and Bethel Native Corporation President and CEO Ana Hoffman attended. The hour-long discussion centered around the issues most pressing to Alaska Native people including the high price of energy, subsistence rights and housing costs. Calista President and CEO Andrew Guy attended the conference.

While President Obama is not the first sitting president to visit Alaska, he became the first to visit the Arctic. During his trip President Obama visited Seward, Dillingham and Kotzebue. In Dillingham, he toured fish camps of subsistence users and witnessed commercial fishing operations. He stressed the importance of fishing for the Region and for Alaska Native people. He also partook in a Yup'ik dance (yuraq) with Youth.

On his trip to Kotzebue he flew over Kivalina to see firsthand the effects of climate change in Alaska's Arctic. During a speech in Kotzebue, he addressed the pressing danger of climate change to Alaska Native villages.

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LEADERSHIP MESSAGE

Margaret Pohjola, Board Chair
Andrew Guy, President and CEO

The President's historic visit to Alaska reminds us of the important role our elected officials play in shining light on policymaking, funding and addressing important projects and issues. Working side by side with our elected officials allows us to advance issues and projects important to our Shareholders and Descendants. At Calista, we have staff members dedicated to working with local, Tribal, state and federal leaders. These employees provide testimony and information critical to decision making. In addition, our Calista leadership team works to develop relationships with state and federal leaders. In recent years we have been increasing efforts to encourage federal officials to visit our Region in order to see firsthand the problems plaguing our people.

Recently, U.S. Senator Dan Sullivan visited Calista's Bethel office. Sen. Sullivan along with several staff members met with June McAtee, vice president; Daisy May Barrera, Bethel operations manager; and George Owletuck, government relations liaison at Calista.

Sen. Sullivan was very engaged in the conversation with Calista; the meeting included a number of important topics. He was briefed on the specifics of Donlin Gold, a project that could bring drug- and alcohol-free jobs to the Region. He was interested to hear how Calista has achieved support from the Region through years of awareness and educational efforts. Additionally, Sen. Sullivan learned how federal land management efforts could hinder permitting, specifically the proposal to create Areas of Critical Environmental Concern that would impact the proposed natural gas pipeline.

The meeting also addressed the Innovative Readiness Training (IRT) proposal for Marshall. The Department of Defense's IRT program's goal is to improve military readiness while also providing quality services to communities. Calista has proposed building infrastructure in Marshall to support the community's rock quarry, airport expansion and port efforts. Sen. Sullivan supported the idea and said he planned to send a letter of support to Pentagon IRT Commander Amanda Birch.

Many other important topics were discussed during Sen. Sullivan's time in Bethel. Calista staff members addressed housing, health and energy costs. Reducing the high cost of energy and building infrastructure are key to economic sustainability. Recently, the U.S. Senate Finance Committee passed a tax credit extender bill that is an opportunity for an amendment that will provide tax credits for the construction of electric interties in rural areas.

Additionally, federally funding the Emmonak port project will tie-in Fairbanks inter-modal infrastructure into the Yukon River village reducing transportation costs for materials and enhancing the business activities of Interior logistics companies.

Margaret P. Pohjola


"We are pleased with the recent interest of federal officials to visit not only our Region but rural communities across Alaska."

Working together, we can protect and preserve our rights, heritage and culture in addition to bringing prosperity to our people."

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He had discussions with Alaska Native people about the changing climate and how it is impacting storm events and fish and wildlife populations. He stressed the importance of preserving Alaska's villages and culture.

During his remarks to the roundtable group the President said, "We're also going to be paying a lot of attention to how we can work together and tap into the wisdom and knowledge of tribal communities in managing and conserving land in the face of what is a profound global challenge."

In the spirit of collaboration, President Obama said his administration is taking new action to make sure Alaska Natives have direct input into the management of king salmon. He also announced a new role for the Denali Commission. The Denali Commission will now serve as the leadership coordinator for state and federal government agencies, and tribes when it comes to village relocation efforts. The Denali Commission will be supported by \$2 million in grants to support village relocation efforts, according to the White House.

During the President's visit the White House also announced \$17.6 million to get rid of honey buckets and \$4 million to improve energy efficiency in Alaska villages.



During the roundtable discussion, Bethel Native Corporation President and CEO Ana Hoffman gave President Barack Obama the Yup'ik name Cakayak. The President drank water to accept the Yup'ik name.

Employee Feature **RUTH ROLAND, FRONT DESK**

Navigating new challenges on a daily basis can be a daunting task for some employees but not Ruth Roland. Ruth, a Calista Corporation Descendant, is the newest front desk employee at Calista's headquarters in Anchorage.

"Each day I am presented with new challenges and situations, which really help me to stay focused and interested in my job," said Ruth.

Front desk employees are the first faces Shareholders, Descendants, employees, business partners and clients see when they walk through Calista's doors. Ruth's social personality makes her a perfect fit for the job. The many job duties of a front desk staff member include answering phones and questions, greeting people, sorting mail and providing general office support.

"Every day I learn something new from my job," said Ruth. "Coming into my work, I'm prepared to be busy."

Ruth grew up in Napakiak before moving to Wasilla last year. She attended the Alaska Job Corps Center to receive career and technical training. She is certified in accounting services and also studied office administration. When she's not working hard behind the desk, Ruth spends time with her family and friends.

"I love the outdoors, especially fishing," said Ruth.

In addition to her duties at the front desk and her work with her fellow Calista employees and subsidiary employees,



Ruth loves the opportunity to work for her Region. Being able to serve Shareholders was a big reason why she sought employment at Calista.

Ruth hopes to continue to expand her skills and knowledge at Calista. Her career goal is to work at Calista until retirement.



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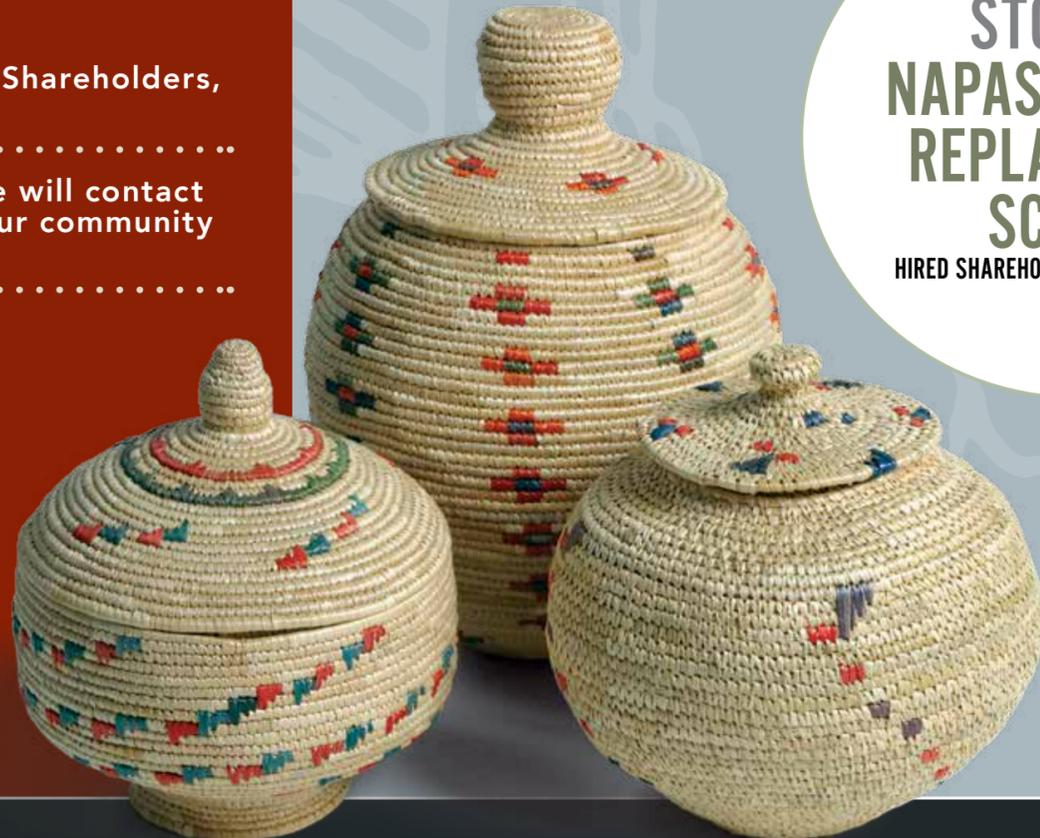
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SUBSIDIARY NEWS: YULISTA HOLDING LINE WELCOMES BACK STUDENTS WITH SUPPLIES



Back to school means purchasing school supplies, but on a tight budget getting everything a student needs to excel can be tough. For the second year in a row, employees in Yulista Holding Line (YHL), a holding line of Calista Corporation, donated supplies valued at over \$30,000 to Youth in the Calista Region. The annual Backpack Campaign donated close to 4,000 pounds of school supplies including 550 backpacks stuffed with hundreds of items like scientific calculators and classroom supplies.

"It is wonderful to see Calista staff so involved with our Region. I am grateful to see our staff put the goal of Shareholder benefits into action beyond scholarships and internships," said Margaret Pohjola, Calista Corporation Board Chair.

The supplies were delivered to classrooms in Akiachak, Akiak and Tuluksak. SBA Global Logistics, Lynden, Ryan Air and STG, Inc.

donated over \$18,000 in shipping and freight costs; \$10,000 in contributions were made by YHL, Yulista Aviation, Y-Tech Services, Chiulista Services and Tunista Services.

Based in Huntsville, Alabama, YHL is Calista Corporation's largest line of business, but its distance from Alaska can make it seem disconnected from Shareholders and Descendants. Staff felt passionate about showing their commitment through this generous donation.

"Calista's primary strategic goal is to increase services and benefits to our Shareholders and Descendants. As managers we must work hard to provide profits. As moms and dads, it is important to support Youth in the Calista Region," said Josh Herron, YHL president.

In 2014, 1,700 pounds of school supplies were donated to students in Saint Mary's and Crow Village Sam School.

WHITE HOUSE TRIBAL YOUTH GATHERING

By: Shawna Williard-Burke, Calista Corporation Intern

I would like to thank Calista for sponsoring my recent trip to the White House Tribal Youth Gathering in our nation's capital, Washington D.C. It was so inspiring to be around so many young Native men and women. This, combined with the encouragement extended to us by First Lady Michelle Obama has deepened my personal commitment to excellence in my own life and community service.

Being surrounded by over 1,000 young Native men and women really made my already blooming Native pride blossom. I felt a connection that I haven't felt before; we all had this shared idea, make our generation a better generation. I saw so much pride that it made my own pride grow even more. I saw traditional clothing, and it was very beautiful to witness. It makes me feel empowered knowing other Youth from across the country are experiencing the same struggles that I am dealing with today.

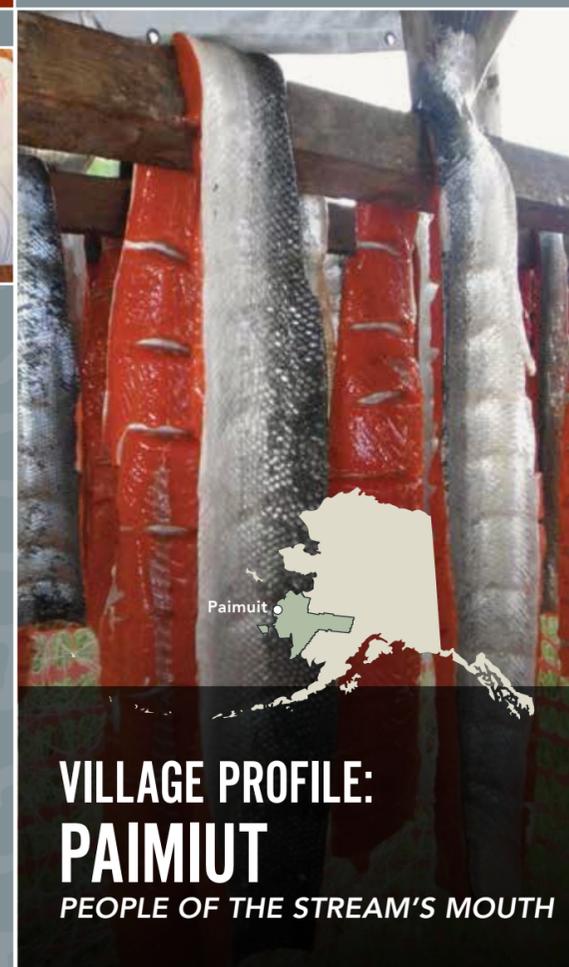
What moved me the most in Michelle Obama's speech was that she was so passionate about the Native Youth issues

"I am so proud to be Yup'ik and to be a part of the growing ranks of young people who will help shape the world through their intelligence, heart and courage."

that we have today, and was there to inspire us to fix the issues ourselves. She motivated us to speak up and told us each one of us can be successful and should never take no for an answer because we are all worthy.

My family and I decided to take a couple days away from the conference to see Washington D.C. We toured the National Mall, which included the White House, the Blair House and others. We also went to the Native Museum and I got to tell people about the Yup'ik culture in the displays of the museum. They were very glad I spoke up and told them about the Yup'ik people. We also went to the cafeteria in the museum and there is traditional food there including fried bread, but unfortunately not akutaq.

Quyana to Calista for helping me take the trip of a lifetime, one that has not only inspired me but given me a new set of friends and goals for the future.



VILLAGE PROFILE: PAIMIUT PEOPLE OF THE STREAM'S MOUTH

The coastal community of Paimiut is an area rich with fish. The community is located on Kokechik Bay, on the east side of the Lithkealik River, which flows into the Bering Sea. Lithkealik River takes its name from a pillar-like rock formation that resembles a person wearing a traditional hunting visor hat, or elqialaq.

First reported in 1951, Paimiut had two groups each containing two or three frame houses, about a quarter of a mile apart. It was previously reported there were two fulltime residents. It is only accessible by boat or float plane. In the winter it is accessible by snowmachine. Today, Paimiut is used as a seasonal camp for subsistence fishing by the nearby residents of Hooper Bay.

According to the State of Alaska, Paimiut falls within a transitional climate zone. A transitional climate zone contains tundra in addition to boreal forests. Paimiut and the rest of the Askinuk Mountains are treeless tundra punctuated by outcrops of granitic rock called tors that have unusual and fantastic shapes resembling people, animals or objects. The climate creates weather patterns of long, cold winters and shorter, warm summers. Easterly winds during the winter cause severe wind chill factors. The average snowfall for the winter is about six feet. It rains about 16 inches annually. Temperatures fluctuate drastically between -25°F and 79°F.

Leaders from the Region

DEBORAH VO, RURAL OUTREACH COORDINATOR FOR U.S. SENATOR LISA MURKOWSKI



Separated by thousands of miles, Washington, D.C. can feel like a world away from rural Alaska especially when it comes to policymaking but one Calista Shareholder is making it her mission to bridge the divide. Deborah Vo was appointed to serve as the rural outreach coordinator for U.S. Senator Lisa Murkowski in March 2014. In her new position Deborah is the "eyes and ears" for the Senator when it comes to rural issues.

"If there is a question of a federal matter, hopefully I am a face that is recognized as someone that not only listens with her head but also her heart," said Deborah. "I want folks to know [Senator Murkowski] does have a presence among Alaska Native populations."

Deborah grew up in Saint Mary's and is the youngest of 10 children. She credits her grandparents, siblings and parents, Fred and Domitilla Alstrom, for her drive and career success. Growing up around a loving family and in a caring community helped nurture her passion for public service. She said education was always important to her.

"It's a journey; there's so much to learn and so much to give back; there should be no excuse not to," said Deborah. "We are all born equally with this gift; use it."

She earned her Bachelor of Arts degree in Business at Elms College in Chicopee, Massachusetts, with the help of a Calista Education and Culture, Inc. scholarship. Upon graduation she moved back to Saint Mary's to begin working for the city.

"The idea of public service and giving back was very important to me," said Deborah. "For a place that gave me so much in terms of what it was to be."

Deborah worked for the city and tribe before moving to Anchorage to pursue her Master of Business Administration degree at Alaska Pacific University. During her graduate studies, she worked with the Alaska Native Health Board. It was during that time discussions were being held regarding tribal management at the new Native hospital, the Alaska Native Medical Center. Deborah worked with a team to help shape the Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium (ANTHC).

"Today, 18 years later, ANTHC is a tribal self-determination model for the rest of Indian country," said Deborah.

"I'm the eyes and ears, and I'm listening."

Deborah's passion for helping rural communities led her to become an expert in the areas of Alaska Native health care, rural energy issues and subsistence rights. She spent time managing rural projects for the Alaska Energy Authority and working with Community Development Quota (CDQ) program groups in the Lower Yukon and Kuskokwim, as well as with a statewide tribal organization for four years.

With her expertise in these important rural issues, Deborah will work with rural Alaskans and use her knowledge to advise Senator Murkowski's policy team about how to best help rural Alaskans.

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DESCENDANT ENROLLMENT *Timeline*

2014

DESCENDANT ENROLLMENT VOTE ANNOUNCED

October 2014 - July 2015



ANNUAL MEETING: VOTE PASSES *July 11, 2015*

INTERNAL ENROLLMENT DEVELOPMENT

- Hire additional staff
- Develop an application process



APPLICATION PROCESS

- Issue applications
- Expand Shareholder database to include new Shareholders

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