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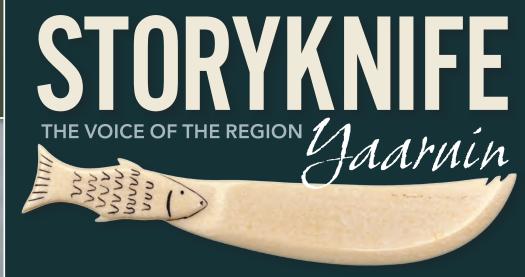
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SHAREHOLDER PURSUES EDUCATION FOR INFRASTRUCTURE NEEDS

RAY SUVV'AQ DANIEL, LEADER FROM THE REGION

Ray Suvv'aq Daniel with ties to Tuntutuliak is a Calista Shareholder working to become a civil engineer in rural Alaska to alleviate issues related to a lack of infrastructure. Daniel hopes to attain his Bachelor of Science in civil engineering with a minor in mathematics from the University of Alaska Anchorage this December.

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YULISTA CARES DELIVERS BACKPACKS TO HOOPER BAY AND CHEVAK

EVERY STUDENT PROVIDED BAG AND SUPPLIES, READY TO LEARN

Bradley Lake teaches elementary school students in his home village of Hooper Bay. He graduated from **University of Alaska Fairbanks** with a BA in elementary education and interned the past five years with **Yulista Holding** subsidiaries as well as **Bilista Holding**.

It was meaningful for Lake and his students who were eager to start learning when Yulista and **Calista Corporation** staff delivered backpacks and school supplies to all students in Hooper Bay and Chevak on the first day of school.

"We're off the road system and it's hard to get supplies here, and Yulista comes in to help," Lake says. "Out in the village it's very expensive and most people cannot afford new backpacks. Yulista CARES is a great resource that helps the villages." "OUT IN THE VILLAGE IT'S
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BOARD MESSAGE: Y-K RTG VOTE

Willie Kasayullie, Board Chair

The vote for representation in the Yukon-Kuskokwim Regional Tribal Government (Y-K RTG) is upon us. They say your vote is your voice. Many voices can create a movement, and our collective Alaska Native vote may become a powerful voice.

Make your voice heard on who you want to represent you in our Regional Tribal Government for the Y-K Region. On November 8—same day as the General Election—the Y-K RTG election will determine the Y-K RTG President, Clerk, and each of the 11 District Representatives.

The **RTG President** must be a Tribal member of one of the 56 Tribes in the Y-K Region, a citizen of the Y-K RTG, be at least 35 years old and a resident of the Region.

The **RTG Clerk** also must be a Tribal member of one of the 56 Tribes in the Y-K Region, a citizen of the Y-K RTG, be at least 25 years old and a resident of the Region.

Each **District Representative** must be a citizen of the Y-K RTG, be a Tribal member from the specific district, and be at least 25 years old. All positions must consent to a personal background investigation.

This vote is important. We will determine the representatives we want to:

- Protect our traditional and **subsistence** activities
- Promote **economic growth** and infrastructure development
- Strengthen **public safety** in our communities
- Advocate for our public health system





Andrew Guy, President and CEO

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE: NTIA BROADBAND OUTREACH

Dan Sullivan and other invited guests in Bethel, Napakiak and Napaskiak to discuss the need for high-speed internet in the Y-K Region. The trip included leaders from state and federal agencies, including the National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) which is rolling out nearly \$1 billion in funds for broadband projects on tribal lands.

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We must work together—including private entities and local governments—to bring the change we want to see in our communities. We have been frustrated for a long time on the lack of infrastructure in our Region. We do not have sewers. We do not have affordable energy. We only have two communities connected by road.

An opportunity like this through NTIA's Tribal Broadband Connectivity Program is once in a lifetime, and it will take everybody to make it work.

The NTIA Tribal broadband projects proposed in our Region—including a partnership by Calista and Alaska Communications to connect seven Kuskokwim River communities to a fiber-optic cable—are just the beginning. We must work to cover the rest of our communities. We have to do it for our kids. Our kids will take this knowledge and fully implement it.

Fortunately, we are a methodical people. We have systems in place and can create new systems to thrive and succeed. These cultural strengths will enable us to take advantage of this opportunity.

We have started to apply those principles in the businesses we operate and need to continue to do that for ventures like this. We will do this by taking advantage of all the factors—lower costs, less mistakes—resulting from careful planning but it takes everyone working together to fully realize. That is what it will take to successfully expand high-speed internet in our Region.

We are a people with our own systems in place, yet continuous improvement is a cultural value. To keep improving, we must adapt our systems when the opportunity arises.



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Backpacks with school supplies, and extra supplies for teachers and the schools, were all part of the annual employee-driven Yulista CARES Backpack Campaign. Yulista surpassed its goals for backpacks, supplies and dental kits this year—they collected more than 1,600 backpacks and nearly 1,050 dental kits within two

Over **900** backpacks went to Hooper Bay and Chevak students and the remainder went to schools and nonprofits in Huntsville, Alabama, the area in which Yulista is based. Calista Region communities change each year based on the villages new to the program.

"When the kids get a new backpack, they're excited to come back to school, show off their supplies, and use them for homework and in the class," Lake says. "They want to continue their education."

As a recent grad and first-year educator, Lake was worried about being low on supplies during the school year. Each backpack included scissors, glue sticks, colored pencils, crayons, pens and pencils, folders and notebooks, erasers and rulers, a dental kit—and even a winter cap for students to stay warm on the cold mornings.

Beyond backpacks for individual students, each classroom received supplies of writing pads, staplers and paper clips, extra pens and pencils, stacks of notepads, classroom scissors, dry erase markers, tape, and clipboards. Teachers like Bradley Lake were ready to instill knowledge and the desire to learn.

"Coming from a rural area, students are going to either stay home after graduation or go out to pursue a degree or training," Lake says. "I wanted to go when I finished high school, and I came back to encourage more students to further their education.

"I want to be that role model here, showing students that when they finish their degree or training, they can come back and work in the community of Hooper Bay."







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"With supporters like Calista [Education and Culture, Inc.], I am given the opportunity to pursue my dream of becoming an engineer," says Daniel. "With a civil engineering degree, I plan on working projects like water systems, sewage, buildings and homes, roads and boardwalks, runways, and bridges, depending on what I choose to specialize in. Improving my Region has been my career goal ever since I was able to see what life out of rural Alaska is like."

Daniel has completed two summer internships in a row through Anchorage-based **Oil Search**, the subsidiary of Australian oil company Santos. Santos is moving forward with a \$2.6 billion investment toward the development of the Pikka Project on the North Slope near Nuiqsut. Daniel assisted in project engineering by writing and reviewing documents and design drawings, and joining the team meetings.

"Being a vital asset to my mentor through my work was a great learning experience," Daniel says. "It helped build my confidence in knowing I can do project engineering work."

Daniel is a major proponent for his local community. Growing up in Bethel, his first language is Yup'ik, he went to **Ayaprun Elitnaurvik** and volunteered in many capacities in school.

"I have been a leader for my siblings, friends, coaches, and school," Daniel says. "Growing up, my siblings followed in what I did, they looked up to me as a leader and a role model." He volunteered with kindergarten students, at the Winter House homeless shelter, and danced yuraq at Cama-i Dance Festival in Bethel for many years—and traveled across the nation to perform for a cultural exchange last summer.

"I believe in the Yup'ik values and respect the rules that were once followed by my ancestors. I subsistence hunt and fish for my family," Daniel says. "My culture and subsistence are some of the most important things to me."

Daniel receives the Calista Education and Culture, Inc. scholarship each semester and participates in ANSEP—the Alaska Native Science and Engineering Program at UAA. He says the college advisors helped him decide which classes to take, explore internship options and communicated on how to improve and the next steps in his education and career.

"I'd recommend any new students to step out of their comfort zone, to network and seek connections, have a mentor, and take advantage of support from scholarships and internships," Daniel says. "You have to put yourself out there to gain the knowledge and experience to grow along the way."

WESTERN ALASKA STORM RESPONSE

CALISTA URGES AFFECTED COMMUNITIES TO SEND REQUESTS FOR ASSISTANCE

Calista has actively worked with local communities, state officials and emergency agencies on a coordinated response to the September 2022 storm impacting dozens of Western Alaska communities

"Our hearts are with our Shareholders and everyone in the communities who have experienced significant loss and will be suffering from the impacts of this storm," said Andrew Guy, Calista Corp. President/CEO.

"Calista has been actively communicating with local leadership as well as the Governor's Office about local needs," Guy said. "Calista and Calista companies have responded in various ways, such as participating in the coordinated emergency response effort led by state and federal agencies, donating to relief efforts, and by directing personnel on the ground in affected communities to assist local residents and responders."



If you would like to donate and support the Western Alaska communities affected by Typhoon Merbok, one option is to donate online to the Western Alaska Disaster Relief Fund using the QR code or by visiting <u>alaskacf.org</u>.



FEEDING THE REGION: ARUQUTET 2022 PROJECT

CALISTA FOOD SECURITY GRANT PROVIDES TIMELY AID TO YK FAMILIES

In a year when many of our Region's households were not able to put up fish due to multiple salmon run collapses, Calista Corporation was able to fund a massive food distribution program.

In January 2022, Calista announced a \$1.6 million grant to the **Bethel Community Services Foundation (BCSF)** to initiate a food security program to provide food boxes to households throughout the Calista Region. This followed a directive from the Board of Directors for Calista staff to determine an appropriate way to spend any **CARES Act Tribal Relief** funds remaining after the deadline for Shareholders to request direct financial assistance.

"It is a blessing we were able to allocate these funds to food assistance in a year when our entire Region suffered from one disastrous fish run after another," said Thom Aparuk Leonard, Calista Vice President of Corporate Affairs and a Chevak Tribal member.

With Calista's oversight and strict compliance with federal CARES Act requirements, BCSF created the **Aruqutet 2022 Project** to administer Calista's food distribution grant to the communities in the Region.

Over a five-month period, ending in late August, Aruqutet staff worked with Y-K Tribes and local stores on the best way to deliver the food to local communities—by ice road, boat and plane. Before any food was purchased, Aruqutet also conducted an online survey to determine what food items were most desirable. Those turned out to be flour, sugar, rice, pilot bread, and ground beef.

The name of the project was recommended by Yup'ik Elder Mary Beaver, after a discussion of the different words in Yup'ik meaning types of gifts. She told BSCF 'Aruqutet' would be a good word because it means 'to distribute.'

In a meeting with Calista staff in Bethel in mid-August, Aruqutet staff said their experience delivering food to Y-K communities was challenging, inspiring, and humbling.

"Not having food—I know from personal experience how hard that is. Being able to be part of a program like this, to bring just a little bit of food stability to a family in need, it's very humbling. I was very honored and humbled to be part of a program like this," said Carey (Gusty) Atchak, BCSF Food Security Coordinator.

When the Aruqutet team members traveled to villages, they were regularly greeted by local volunteers and Tribal leaders who helped them unload food boxes and prepare for community distribution, and many local residents approached them during the distribution events to express their gratitude.

"Several people came up to me and grabbed my hand and held it. Made eye contact. And you could feel that energy passing between us and just be grateful," said **Deborah Michael, BCSF Food Outreach Specialist**.



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YULISTA BUILDS RESILIENCE WITH STRATEGIC ACQUISITIONS

STRAITSYS AND TROY7 BOTH FOUNDED BY WOMEN ENTREPRENEURS

Calista's aerospace and defense solutions holding line, Yulista Holding, LLC, recently announced it has acquired two women-owned businesses participating in the Small Business Administration's federal contracting program for women-owned small businesses.

One of the acquisitions is **StraitSys**, **Inc.**, a provider of information technology services and cybersecurity to clients including the **Federal Bureau of Investigation** and investment firm **Merrill Lynch**.

Co-founded in 2007, StraitSys has offices in metropolitan Washington, D.C., and Huntsville, Alabama. This acquisition will allow Yulista to help federal and commercial customers defend critical infrastructure against threats to business systems and our national security.

"StraitSys' industry-leading capabilities will enhance our technology group and allow us to protect our customer's critical assets," says Josh Herren, Yulista President and CEO.

Yulista also acquired **Troy7**, **Inc.**, which specializes in missile and aerospace engineering solutions and has supported more than 350 missile defense and space flight missions for defense agencies and **NASA**.

"Yulista is humbled to bring Troy7, Inc.'s fine group of engineers and professionals into our organization," Herren says.

Acquiring Troy7 expands Yulista's technical services offering and provides resources to Troy7 to continue its core capabilities, including missile system design, guidance, control design analysis, threat engineering, modeling, and simulation.





MORE LANDS AVAILABLE

AT LEAST 159 VETERANS IN CALISTA REGION ELIGIBLE FOR NATIVE ALLOTMENTS

The federal government has significantly increased the acreage available in the Calista Region—and statewide—for eligible **Alaska Native Vietnam-era veterans** or their heirs to select an allotment.

In the Calista Region, roughly **3.7 million acres** of federal land are available for eligible veterans or their heirs to select an allotment of up to 160 acres. That is a huge change. Until this fall, only **1.2 million acres of land** throughout Alaska were available for selection by eligible veterans and their heirs.

This allotment program is limited to Alaska Native veterans who served between Aug. 5, 1964, and Dec. 31, 1971, or the heirs of deceased eligible veterans.

Currently, the **U.S. Bureau of Land Management** has a list of **159 veterans from the Calista Region** who meet the criteria. Anyone who received an allotment under a previous program is ineligible, and heirs must apply through **a personal representative** appointed by the Alaska State Court System. Discharge paperwork is required.

In August, **U.S. Secretary of the Interior Deb Haaland** called the opening of additional lands available in this program "a significant accomplishment in honoring our sacred obligation to America's veterans."

"The Department is proud to move forward expeditiously so that Alaska Native Vietnam-era veterans are able to select the land allotments they are owed, with an expansive selection area," said Haaland, whose father served during the Vietnam War.

It is important for veterans and heirs to be aware that they are not restricted to selecting lands in their ancestral region, explains **Tisha**

Kuhns, Calista VP for Land and Natural Resources. For example, an Alaska Native applicant from the Calista Region could apply for an allotment in the Bering Straits or Bristol Bay regions, and vice versa.

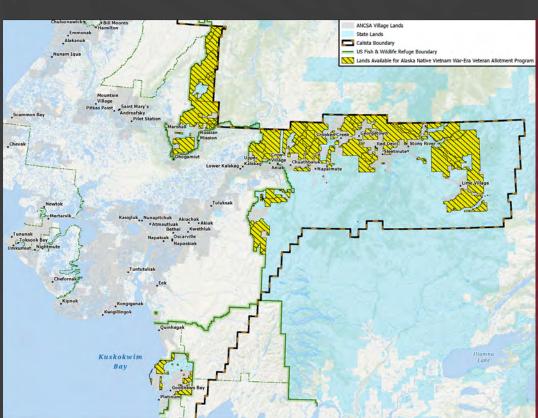
"If you are a veteran or an heir, you do not have to select in the Calista Region at all. This allotment program includes 27 million acres statewide. That is a lot of land to choose from," Kuhns says.

DON'T WAIT TO APPLY

Currently, most of the federal land in the Calista Region open to allotment applications is more than 100 miles inland from the coast in the Yukon and Kuskokwim river drainages. However, there is still some land available in the Goodnews Bay area. Right now, no lands are available for selection in national wildlife refuges, but potential additional acreage in refuges has been identified by the **U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service** and could be authorized by Congress.

Kuhns encourages all eligible applicants to review maps of the available lands, seek assistance, and begin the process of applying for an allotment. The application process is complex, and the deadline to apply is on December 29, 2025.

"Please talk to any of your affected family members and get those applications in as soon as possible," Kuhns says. "Other applicants could be selecting the area you are interested in, and applications are taken in on a first-come, first-serve basis."



AVAILABLE LANDS IN THE CALISTA REGION FOR ALASKA NATIVE VETERAN ALLOTMENTS

Visit the BLM website at the QR code or by visiting https://on.doi.gov/3dRURKf for maps and eligibility information



Source: Calista Land and Natural Resources Department CALISTA LAND & NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT PRESENTS

LANDS IN FOCUS

Y-K COASTAL COMMUNITIES INVITED TO PARTICIPATE IN CLIMATE CHANGE RESEARCH

A team of scientists from multiple universities wants to team up with one or more Yukon-Kuskokwim Delta coastal communities to study climate change processes underway along Alaska's coast.

The team is developing a large research project that will focus on impacts to infrastructure in Alaska coastal communities due to hazards including **flooding**, **permafrost thaw** and **erosion**.

At-risk infrastructure can include navigation channels, docks, runways, roads, buildings, and more. "It can be defined very widely," says lead investigator Dr. Nina Stark, a geotechnical engineering professor at Virginia Tech.

In the Y-K Region, where many communities are threatened by flooding, permafrost thaw and erosion, this study could produce the kinds of data needed for future infrastructure projects or risk assessments.

"This data will be made public and can be submitted to agencies to ensure that community projects are designed with good information," says Tisha Kuhns, Calista VP for Land and Natural Resources.



"The more we know, the more we can work with others to protect our communities," Kuhns says.

Short-term benefits of participating in this study can include financial compensation to community members who help with research activities—like providing and operating a boat. Long-term benefits can include training and education for local students in climate change monitoring and data collection; local installation of monitoring equipment; and opportunities to coordinate directly with the research team to integrate local priorities into the study design.

Stark encourages communities interested in partnership opportunities to contact the research team at arci2@vt.edu. The project is in pre-development right now—with support from a National Science Foundation planning grant—with a goal of submitting for funding in Spring 2023.

Stark says, "Ideally we will have the participating communities confirmed by then."



Visit the project website at the QR code or by visiting https://arci2.cee.vt.edu.
Have questions about the project?
Contact arci2@vt.edu



U.S. REP. MARY PELTOLA'S HISTORIC WIN

A FIRST FOR ALASKA NATIVE PEOPLE AND ALASKA WOMEN

Calista Corporation congratulates newly-sworn-in U.S. Rep. Mary Peltola on her historic special election win to Congress.

Peltola is Yup'ik and was raised in Kwethluk, Tuntutuliak, Platinum and Bethel. She served in the Alaska House of Representatives from 1998 to 2009, and later worked for the Donlin Gold Project, Bethel City Council, and most recently the Kuskokwim River Inter-Tribal Fish Commission. She also served as a judge on the Orutsararmiut Native Council's tribal court.

"Our Shareholders and our communities in the Calista Region can expect many benefits from Mary Peltola holding Alaska's sole seat in the U.S. House of Representatives, and we are proud to see the first Alaska Native person to serve in Congress is a Yup'ik woman and a Calista Shareholder," said Calista Board Chair Willie Kasayulie, in an August 31 announcement.

"Mary's innate understanding of the importance of subsistence activities for the Calista Region will be one of her key contributions in the coming months," Kasayulie said.

Calista President/CEO Andrew Guy said, "Mary's new role is timely with the crash of the salmon runs in the last two years. Calista has for years been advocating for holistic approach and especially action into the causes of the diminished fish returns." Rep. Peltola was sworn into office on September 13 and will fill out the late Congressman Young's term ending in December. While filling out Young's term, Peltola is also running to fill the next two-year term as Alaska's sole member of the U.S. House of Representatives, beginning in January 2022.





EYUP'IK TEACHING MOMENT

KANGILIRIYARAQ (GONG-EELY-GHEE-YAH-UK) "TO PROVIDE WITH A NEW START"

Calista Education & Culture, Inc. (CECI) highlights Yuuyaraq, the traditional/cultural way of being in our Region. This Yup'ik Teaching Moment is provided from an interview conducted by Mark John, CECI Cultural Advisor with Albertina Dull of Nightmute and the late John Phillip, Sr. of Kongiganak.

A newborn child was seen as not yet fully formed in Yup'ik personhood. One step to further stabilize a newborn into personhood would be with the gift of an **ateq**, a "name" or "name-soul." When a person wanted to give a child a name, they did a naming ritual called kangiliriyaraq (Gong-eely-GHEE-yah-UK), which literally means "to provide with a new start."

"When a child was given a name of a relative who recently passed, it was said that the one whose name the child was receiving—their namesake—had come," said Albertina Dull in an interview translated from Yup'ik.

Although their namesake has died, people say part of their namesake is carried on in them. People are amazed when they hear them speak like the one who died.

The late John Phillip, Sr. said in an interview translated from Yup'ik, "My younger brother Evon who passed away loved telling stories. I named two of my great-grandchildren after him. One of them reminds me of Evon."

"Although he's little, he says humorous things like Evon once did," Phillip said. "The way he reminds me of Evon, they refer to that as the deceased being inside of them."

Kangiliriyaraq (Gong-eely-GHEE-yah-UK) in Yup'ik means "to provide with a new start" as it relates to Yup'ik naming



CONGRATS CALISTA CLICK CONTEST WINNERS!

Click Contest:

- · Maria G. Moses
- · Timothy L. Johnson

The winners, both of whom are 60+ years of age and live in Anchorage, were selected in a random drawing, and each will receive an unlocked iPad mini (estimated retail value of \$649)!

Shareholders 18 and older qualified for the contest drawing by signing up for the following digital services:

- · Free MyCalista account
- · Direct deposit via MyCalista or paper form
- · Electronic delivery of Annual Meeting materials
- · Electronic delivery of the Storyknife newsletter (sign up via MyCalista)

Although the contest has ended, you may still sign up for digital services to make your life a little easier.

"Over 1 in 3 Shareholders are 18 to 39 years old, and they expect digital services like electronic voting and email newsletters," says Thom Aparuk Leonard, Calista Corp. Vice President of Corporate Affairs. "Regardless of age, Shareholders appreciate not having to wait for mail to arrive and the benefits of reduced paper use.

Calista would like to congratulate the winners of the 2022 Calista More than 14,000 Calista Shareholders now have direct deposit, reducing the risk of lost or delayed checks. Also, more than 2,200 Shareholders opted to receive Annual Meeting materials electronically in 2022. This reduced the amount of paper by over 1,300 pounds.









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