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DIRECTOR'S Message

Dear Shareholders,

2018 has started off strong, and there seems to be no slowing down. *"It's Time"* is our new theme for an educational campaign to help our shareholders in considering opening or not opening enrollment to descendants born after 1971. Our long-serving CEO, Betty Huntington, also called time on her service. Betty will be retiring upon our company recruiting a new CEO. Our shareholders should have received in the mail a special newsletter and special letter about "We cannot be more grateful and more appreciative for Betty's service."

both new developments in the educational campaign and recruitment for a new CEO. We look forward to listening to what our shareholders have to say about both fronts and holding constructive discussions about the future of our company.

We included the second special newsletter edition on the topic of new shareholder enrollment and survey results conducted last fall. A Shareholder Informational Meeting was held in Fairbanks on March 14, and we held a forum on the enrollment topic during the meeting. We are listening to our shareholders, and weighing all the pros and cons of new shareholder enrollment, as we continue the dialogue. There will be two more special inserts in the newsletter editions this coming summer and fall. We will continue the dialogue during village Shareholder Informational Meetings in April and May, and during the 2018 Annual Meeting in Koyukuk.

Betty Huntington has been involved with Gana-A'Yoo, Limited for the past 23 years, with the last 11 years as CEO of our company. We cannot be more grateful and more appreciative for Betty's service, for keeping our company successful with growth and stability. We wish her a restful retirement, and much deserved quality time with her children, grandchildren, and great-grandson. The Board of Directors will be actively involved in recruiting for a new CEO, and we can only hope to find another CEO as dedicated, hardworking, and humble as Betty.

ANTARCTICA Update LEANN SOMMER AND KATHY PERRY'S ADVENTURE

Leann Sommer and Kathy Perry had a successful first season in Antarctica this winter. Leann Sommer was the Beverage Supervisor and Kathy Perry was the first Gana-A'Yoo, Limited shareholder work opportunity participant for the Gana-A'Yoo Services Corporation subcontract with Leidos at the Natural Science Foundation's US Antarctic Program. Leann and Kathy were based at McMurdo Station, a day ahead across the

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Summer INTERN PROGRAM

Gana-A'Yoo, Limited will offer two (2) summer intern positions that are available to shareholders and descendants. One (1) intern will be placed at the Gana-A'Yoo Corporate office in Anchorage to learn, participate, contribute, and engage in various departments including business development, human resources, accounting, and shareholder relations.

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We wish our shareholders an enjoyable spring season, and safe travels to Nulato Stickdance, the carnivals, and dog and snowmachine races.

Sincerely,

Kimberly Bower, President

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GANA-A'YOO, LIMITED 40TH ANNUAL MEETING Friday, May 25, 2018 - Koyukuk

The Annual Shareholder Meeting of Gana-A'Yoo, Limited (Gana-A'Yoo) will be held at the Koyukuk Community Hall in Koyukuk, Alaska, at 12:00 p.m., on Friday, May 25, 2018.

The purpose of this meeting is to:

- (1) Elect three (3) Board of Director members, whose terms will expire in 2021.
- (2) Hear reports on the Corporation's operations for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2017.
- (3) Carry out any other business as may properly be brought up during the meeting.

Only Gana-A'Yoo shareholders of record at the close of the business day on Monday, March 26, 2018, who are Alaska Natives or descendants of Alaska Natives, are entitled to vote at the Annual Shareholder Meeting and any adjournment thereof. Voting stock held by minor shareholders shall be voted by the minor's custodian.

If you cannot attend the meeting in person, we urge you to vote by proxy. Proxies are necessary to achieve a quorum for the Annual Shareholder Meeting. If you vote by proxy and later decide to attend the meeting, you may still vote in person by registering at the meeting. Your proxy form and a self-addressed return envelope for your convenience are mailed separately. For your proxy to be valid, please sign, date and return your proxy by mail (envelope provided), fax, email, or hand-delivery. If you are holding shares as a custodian for a minor, please sign YOUR name and NOT the name of the minor. If you cannot write your name, make your mark and have it witnessed by one person who is over the age of eighteen (18).

If you submit your signed and dated proxy on or before 5:00 p.m. on Friday, May 18, 2018, you will be eligible for the Early Bird Drawings of one (1) \$1,000 prize, one (1) \$500 prize, and five (5) \$100 prizes. To be eligible for all other door prizes (which include one (1) \$1,500 Grand Prize, one (1) \$1,000 prize, two (2) \$250 prizes, and two (2) \$100 prizes) at the Annual Shareholder Meeting, valid, signed, and dated proxies are due to the Gana-A'Yoo Anchorage office no later than 12:00 p.m. on Thursday, May 24, 2018, if delivered by mail, fax, or email. After that deadline, proxies must be delivered to the Koyukuk Community Hall before 12:00 p.m. on Friday, May 25. You may submit your proxy by the following methods:

- US Mail (envelope provided): 1205 E. International Airport Road, Suite 100, Anchorage, Alaska 99518
- Fax sent to (907) 569-9699
- Email sent to elections@ganaayoo.com
- Hand-delivery to the Gana-A'Yoo office in Anchorage, or on the day of the meeting to the Koyukuk Community Hall

Antarctica Update: LEANN SOMMER AND KATHY PERRY'S ADVENTURE

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international time zone from Alaska and had the unique experience of 24/7 daylight during Alaska's winter months, due to the summer season in Antarctica.

Leann and Kathy both said they really enjoyed working at McMurdo, and found their co-workers all to be highly qualified, motivated, and adventurous. They both took several day trips around McMurdo – to check out explorer Robert F. Scott's base camp hut from the early 20th century, which is still standing, to the Pegasus aircraft crash site, where the exterior still rests on an ice plain, and also to view penguins and seals sunbathing during their summer season. To travel, they took a PistenBully vehicle, which is a two-track transport designed for extreme weather and terrain.

During Kathy's work opportunity, she spent time in the following different departments and divisions: Recreation, Janitorial, Retail, the Galley, and Beverages. Kathy spent three days working closely with Leann managing beverages, by stocking, ordering, and receiving shipments. Kathy spent most of the time in the Galley, where it is busiest, as everyone at McMurdo uses the same cafeteria. Kathy received a lot of questions from other employees and McMurdo Station staff, who were curious about the new Gana-A'Yoo, Limited shareholder work opportunity initiative.

Both would like to return to McMurdo again next summer season, but they also plan to thaw out in warmer climates first. Leann and Kathy will have returned to Alaska from their post-season travels just in time for the spring equinox and will find no shortage of sun for 2017 and 2018.

FAIRBANKS CHARITY WALK FUNDRAISER

Join the Gana-A'Yoo Foundation in the 2018 Fairbanks Alaska Visitor Industry Walk for Charity on Friday, An anonymous donor has sponsored all children of shareholders during the last three years, and that person

May 11 at 6 p.m. in Fairbanks. The walk begins at the Immaculate Conception Church parking lot and ends at the Morris Thompson Cultural and Visitors Center. There will be free food, prizes, activities, and fun! Participants must raise a minimum of \$25/adult or \$15/child (6-12 years of age) if registering on or before May 7. Those registering after May 7 must raise \$30/adult or \$20/child. is willing to sponsor children again this year. Registered children of shareholders will be reimbursed. You can register online at www.explorefairbanks.com/charitywalk/. Online registration for the Fairbanks walk opens April 9. Please be sure to choose the Gana-A'Yoo Foundation and join our team to support our students!

Would you LIKE TO SERVE ON A COMMITTEE?

There are seats open to serve on the Board of Directors for Khotol Services Corporation and Gana-A'Yoo Services Corporation. There are also seats open on the Investment, Shareholder Relations, and Lands and Resource committees. Each interested individual must be a voting Gana-A'Yoo shareholder over 18 years of age to qualify. Please submit a letter of interest by May 9, 2018, to: Gana-A'Yoo, Limited Attn: Crystal Sommer 1205 E. International Airport Road, Suite 100 Anchorage, Alaska 99518 e-mail csommer@ganaayoo.com or fax (907) 569-9699



GANA-A'YOO Foundation News

"WE ARE THANKFUL TO ALL OF YOU" Yuhts en Maasee Ts oodnee

As the 2017-2018 school year comes to a close, we would like to celebrate the successes of our students and encourage all shareholders and descendants to apply for Gana-A'Yoo Foundation scholarships. The due date for fall 2018 semester general and competitive scholarships is June 15, 2018, but it is never too early to plan ahead and submit an application with a personal essay. We have a competitive scholarship, a general scholarship, and a short-term scholarship award. For professionals who plan to enter into vocational or technical training, the short-term scholarship is available at all times.

As a new service for shareholders and descendants, staff at the Gana-A'Yoo office will be scheduling and holding workshops, which will be focused on finding and completing scholarship applications, job searching, resume writing, interview tips, and other helpful advice. Several Alaska Native corporations in Anchorage will be holding a general job fair for shareholders and descendants in either late April or early May. We will post more updated information on our website, ganaayoo.com, and on Gana-A'Yoo, Limited's Facebook page when a date is selected.

Our youth and up-and-coming professionals are our strongest asset to the future of our company, **RESUME WORKSHOP** Wednesday March 21 11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. MOCK INTERVIEW WORKSHOP Thursday May 3 11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

and we're offering these services to help realize this potential. Shareholders and descendants are encouraged to take advantage of these opportunities to enhance your interview skills and improve your resume!

These workshops will be held at our corporate office: 1205 E. International Airport Road, Suite 100, Anchorage, Alaska 99518. Please feel free to contact the office at (907) 569-9599 or email HR at hr@ganaayoo.com with any questions.

SUMMER INTERN PROGRAM

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In addition, one (1) intern will be placed at the Koyukuk Tribal Council to assist the tribe in the many functions of Tribal administration and the programs and events sponsored by the tribe. This will be our third year that Gana-A'Yoo has partnered with one of our villages to give shareholders and descendants an opportunity to gain meaningful work experience. Last year's summer interns were Courtney Carlo and Jaiden Huntington, who gained experience at the Louden Tribal Council in Galena. The Summer Intern Program offers six (6) weeks of paid internship experience, with start and end dates based on the intern's school schedule. Housing will not be provided. To apply, please visit ganaayoo.com or contact Janelle Huntington at jhuntington@ganaayoo.com or call (907) 771- 6525. You may also pick up applications at the Koyukuk Tribal Council and at our corporate office. The deadline for applications is June 1, 2018.

SHAREHOLDERS COMPETE IN THE IRON DOG

Gana-A'Yoo shareholders George Mountain (Nulato) and Kelly Sommer (Nulato), and descendant Christopher Collins (Galena) competed in this year's Iron Dog race that began on February 18, 2018. The Iron Dog course is over 2,000 miles long. The race starts in Big Lake, goes to Nome, and ends in Fairbanks. Unfortunately, Team 13 (Mountain/Sommer) and Team 34 (Collins/Jones) scratched due to mechanical issues, but we are very proud of them for their hard work and dedication. Congratulations to George, Kelly, and Christopher for competing in the world's longest and toughest snow machine race. We will be rooting for you next year!



From left to right: Christopher Collins, Kelly Sommer, and George Mountain. Photo courtesy of Iron Dog.

DIVIDEND SHARE DISTRIBUTION KALTAG DANCERS Ggaat Doh

The Kaltag dance group

Application deadline is June 1, 2018 At the February 23, 2018, Board of Directors' meeting, a distribution of \$2.60 per share was declared. The distribution will be either direct deposited or mailed on Friday, May 18, 2018. In order to receive a direct deposit, a completed direct deposit form must be received by Friday, May 4, 2018, at 5:00 p.m. We also encourage you to update your stock will if you have not done so recently. Both forms can be found online at www.ganaayoo.com/ about-gsc/shareholders/.

(Ggaał Doh Dancers) performed at the 45th Annual Festival of Native Arts on March 1 at the University of Alaska Fairbanks. The Festival of Native Arts provides cultural education and sharing through Native dance, music, and arts. Thank you to the Kaltag dance group for sharing the Koyukon culture through song and dance. Photo credit: UAF

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Dolaale' (n.)

echo, voice

Denadolale' (plural n.)

Our (the people) voice – our voice

Denaakk'e – our language – is often said to be one of the most creative and descriptive languages. We at Gana-A'Yoo proudly continue to title our quarterly newsletters with Denadolale' – our voice. Our language and our voices are highly valued, as a corporation and as a collective people from our very own places: Notaalee Denh – Galena; Meneelghaadze' T'oh – Koyukuk; Nulaaghe Doh – Nulato; and Ggaał Doh – Kaltag.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Kaltag Shareholder Information Meeting, 12:30 - 2 p.m.
Nulato Shareholder Information Meeting, 7 - 8:30 p.m.



After over a decade of use, we have decided to move on from our old newsletter layout. The past newsletter layout was created when there were no more than five or six staff members in the main Alaska office. With these changing times and expansion of business and staff, we updated our regular quarterly newsletter. We are particularly pleased that our website, ganaayoo.com, and our newsletter now match up stylistically. Please look forward to other new seasonal layouts as 2018 progresses.

9 Letter of Interest to Serve on Committees Due

- 18 Early Bird Proxies Due
- **18** Dividends Distributed
- 23 Galena Shareholder Information Meeting, 7 8:30 p.m.
- 24 Board Meeting, Galena, 11 a.m.
- 25 Annual Meeting, Koyukuk, 12 p.m.



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STOCK WILL DRIVE

In an effort to have as many stock wills on file as possible, please consider submitting a new or updated stock will. There will be another drawing in 2018. You could be the lucky winner of one (1) of the two (2) \$500 cash prizes! To be entered in the drawing at the next annual shareholder meeting, you must have submitted a valid stock will in the last five (5) years by May 25, 2018.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS Ida Hildebrand | Chair Kimberly Bower | President Ragine Pilot | Vice-President Charlene Ostbloom | Secretary Michael Stickman | Treasurer William Dayton | Director Betty Griffin | Director Melissa McGinty | Director Joshua Peter | Director

EDITOR Freddie Olin IV folin@ganaayoo.com

All stock wills must be notarized or certified by the postmaster and signed by you. If you have any questions, please contact: Crystal Sommer or Ashton Ekada at (907) 569-9599 or toll-free 1-888-656-1606.

WHERE ARE YOU?

Current contact information is needed for the following shareholders. Please contact Crystal Sommer at (907) 569-9599 or csommer@ganaayoo.com if you have any information on their whereabouts. **Frances Kriska** Laneil Ann Brasket **Cheryl Robin Neglaska Brook Duane Bryant** Francine Marie Burress Sally Agnes Semaken Jarynn R. Cunningham **Rachel Leann Silas Thomas T. Debo** Lillian A. Smith **Glen Stewart Duncan Robert Dennis Towne Linda Ann Gonzales Esther N. Warner** Charles M. Huntington

CONDOLENCES

Arnold A. Madros, 40 *Kaltag*

Lawanna "Bonnie" Madros, 64 Galena and Kaltag Stock

Kris Ann Mountain, 60 Nulato Stock

Laura D. Pitka, 90 Galena Stock

James G. Stickman, 78 Nulato Stock