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Share DISTRIBUTION

The Gana-A'Yoo Settlement Trust Board of Trustees approved a distribution of \$7.45 per share to shareholders enrolled with the corporation as of March 31, 2023. To make address updates and to receive your distribution via direct deposit, a completed direct deposit form must have been on file by March 31, 2023. This non-taxable distribution will be direct deposited or mailed to shareholders on May 19, 2023. Forms are available online at ganaayoo.com/shareholders. For more information, contact the corporate office.

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CEO Message

Dear shareholders, welcome to spring!

I hope this message finds you well and enjoying the longer days and warmer temperatures. Here at the office, we are planning and preparing for upcoming shareholder information meetings in Fairbanks and our villages, as well as the 45th annual meeting of shareholders to be held in Galena on Friday, June 9, 2023. At the annual meeting, we will elect three board members to serve three-year terms and hear about the corporation's business operations and other activities.



One of Gana-A'Yoo's strategic priorities set forth by the Board of Directors is to identify and increase opportunities for our shareholders and descendants. We are proud to share that Gordon Reiland (Galena) and Adam Paskvan (Koyukuk) are back on the ice! They are both working with our camp and facility services crew at McMurdo Station on Antarctica.

Your shareholder services team is busy collecting and processing descendant enrollment applications. We began accepting applications in late November 2022 and received over 460 applications through the end of February. This historical moment in time for our village corporation is setting precedent for other Interior village corporations as we are the first to open enrollment to those born after the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act of 1971. WELCOME NEW SHAREHOLDERS!

Be well,
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Committee VACANCIES

Gana-A'Yoo committee seats are open on the natural resources and shareholder relations committees. Interested shareholders must hold voting stock and be 18 years of age or older to qualify. Please submit your letter of interest by Friday, May 26, 2023, to our corporate office, email to info@ganaayoo.com, or fax to 907.569.9699.

Gifting SHARES

Shareholders and descendants have voiced concerns about the blood quantum requirement to enroll as a Gana-A'Yoo shareholder. Please remember, the blood quantum requirement exists for open enrollment; **however, there is no blood quantum requirement for gifting shares.**

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Gana-A'Yoo, Limited

ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS

Our 2023 annual meeting will be held at 3 p.m. AKDT on Friday, June 9, 2023, at the Sidney C. Huntington Schools in Galena, Alaska, or such other location as determined by the board. Gana-A'Yoo, Limited plans to have a hybrid virtual and in-person meeting. This year's theme is "Resilience."

Annual meeting purpose

1. To elect three directors whose terms will expire in 2026.
2. To hear reports on the corporation's operations for the fiscal year ending on September 30, 2022.
3. To carry out any other business as may properly be brought before the meeting.

Gana-A'Yoo, Limited shareholders and certain descendants of Alaska Natives whose names appear on the stock records of Gana-A'Yoo, Limited as holders of voting shares by the close of business on Monday, April 10, 2023, "Record Date," will be entitled to vote at the annual meeting and any adjournment thereof. Voting stock held by minor shareholders shall be voted by the minor's custodian if the custodian is otherwise qualified to vote. Class E stock held by minors are not eligible to vote. We urge you to vote by proxy or electronic proxy (eProxy). Proxies are necessary to achieve a quorum for the annual meeting. If you vote by proxy and later decide to attend the meeting, you may still vote in person by registering.

Voting your proxy or eProxy

For your convenience, your proxy form and a self-addressed return envelope are being mailed separately from the annual report and notice of annual meeting and proxy statement. For your proxy to be valid, you must sign, date and return your proxy by June 6, 2023, at 5 p.m. AKDT via one of the following methods:

- Online via eProxy: Visit ganaayoovote.com and log in with 1) your date of birth and 2) the last four digits of your Social Security Number
- By U.S. mail (return envelope provided): Sramek Hightower, CPAs, P.O. Box 240569, Anchorage, AK 99524-9968
- Fax: 907.561.4341
- Email: chelsi@sh-cpafirm.com
- Hand deliver: To drop box at the Sidney C. Huntington Schools in Galena, Alaska, between 2 – 3 p.m. on Friday, June 9, 2023

If you are voting shares as the 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 at least 18 years of age.

Please call 907.677.3320 with any questions regarding the proxy.

eProxy and annual meeting prizes

Gana-A'Yoo is offering eProxy prizes this year to encourage shareholders to vote early and vote online. Shareholders whose proxy or eProxy are received by the appropriate deadlines are also eligible for eProxy, early bird, and annual meeting prizes.

Those who submit their signed and dated proxy or eProxy on or before Friday, May 12, 2023, by 5 p.m. will be eligible for the early bird drawings of:

- One prize of \$1,500
- One prize of \$1,000
- One prize of \$500
- Three prizes of \$250
- Four prizes of \$100

Shareholders who submit their eProxy on or before the early bird deadline will also be eligible for eProxy prizes including:

- One prize of \$1,000
- Two prizes of \$500
- Three prizes of \$250
- Four prizes of \$100

The annual meeting prize deadline is Tuesday, June 6, 2023, by 5 p.m. AKDT. To be eligible for annual meeting prizes, your proxy or eProxy must be received by this deadline OR you must register to vote at the annual meeting. The drawing will be held on Friday, June 9, 2023, at the annual meeting. Prizes include:

- Two \$1,000 prizes
- Two \$250 prizes
- Two \$100 prizes

You need not be present to win.

Village Spotlight

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The community of Kaltag hosted "Dancing with the Spirit" in fall 2022 as part of a Yukon Koyukuk School District Esteem Grant. Josephine Malemute traveled from Fairbanks and spent a week teaching students how to play a variety of instruments; the week culminated with a concert for the public.

Malemute was joined by Dorothy Sommer of Nulato, Isaac Tichnor of Anvik, and Ethan Paul of Holy Cross. The community event was a success and enjoyed by many.



New EMPLOYEES

Jeff Sebor is the contract manager for Gana-A'Yoo, Limited's SABER contract at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base (AFB). Sebor is a civil engineer, registered professional engineer and has been working in construction at Wright-Patterson AFB for most of his career. The new position will have Sebor leading the robust SABER contract along with the dozen staff positions that are affiliated with the contract.

Sebor and his wife, Rena, reside in Tipp City, Ohio, where they keep an active schedule raising their children Collin, Kyle, Seth and Ella. The Sebor's enjoy cycling on the very developed network of bicycle trails around southwest Ohio and enjoy riding a tandem mountain bicycle.



"I look forward to getting to know everyone and experiencing new adventures at Wright-Patterson AFB."
- Jeff Sebor

Erica Digel joined the Gana-A'Yoo team as the new benefits administrator in March. She is the main point of contact for benefits-related questions or concerns and will administer benefit programs and manage enrollment and benefit procedures. Digel earned her Bachelor of Arts degree in business management and has spent the last decade working in corporate benefits for an Alaska Native-owned corporation. In her free time, Digel enjoys traveling, playing outside with her family, golf in the summer and hockey and skiing in the winter.

"I enjoy working with subject matter experts towards a common goal and am excited to join Gana-A'Yoo's team."
- Erica Digel



Scholarship DEADLINES

For the summer 2023 semester, only the general scholarship will be available. The application period will start on April 1 and end on May 1.

Career and Technical Education (CTE) scholarship applications are accepted throughout the year. More information is available at ganaayoo.com/foundation.

APPLICATION & ELIGIBILITY Changes

The general scholarship and the CTE scholarship no longer require student essays or letters of recommendation. The competitive scholarship application continues to require a student essay and two letters of recommendation. Please note the competitive scholarship has a new minimum cumulative GPA of 3.50. Students may begin applying May 15, 2023, at ganaayoo.awardspring.com.

The tentative application period schedule is as follows for the 2023-2024 school year:

General Scholarship – Summer 2023
April 1 through May 1, 2023

General Scholarship – Fall 2023
May 15 through August 15, 2023

Competitive Scholarship – Fall 2023
May 15 through July 15, 2023

Please visit the Gana-A'Yoo website for the most updated schedule.

Changes to GENERAL SCHOLARSHIP AMOUNTS

General Scholarship

*minimum cumulative 2.00 GPA, proof of enrollment required

Part-Time: \$500

Full-Time: \$750

Career and Technical Education (CTE)

formerly Vocational Scholarship
*proof of enrollment required

Award: \$1,500

Competitive

*minimum cumulative 3.50 GPA, full-time enrollment required, amount awarded for both fall and spring semesters of entire traditional school year

Undergraduate: \$1,800

Graduate: \$2,200

PhD/JD/MD: \$2,800

New SHAREHOLDERS

Gana-A'Yoo, Limited would like to take the opportunity to acknowledge and welcome our new shareholders:

Courtney Agnes
Rebecca Agnes
Nathan Angel-Huntington
Brett Brisson
Calvin Chase
Calvin Chase Jr.
Melissa Diaz
Dwayne Drake II
Norman Drake
Carole Drake
Tyler Drake
Sheila Esmailka
Robert Esmailka
Sophia Evans
Vance Gregory
Sienna Huntington
Claire Ketzler
April Kruger-Chase
Calvina Kruger
Klaudia Kruger
Courtney Louie
Harper Maisner
Sadie Maisner
Crystal Miex
Haley Sam
Derek Silas
Desirae Silas
Tiffany Silas
Joseph Sommer
Stephanie Sweetsir
Teekona Sweetsir
Cassandra Waters
Leah Youngblood

Going forward, we will not announce newly enrolled shareholders as we are expecting the numbers of new class E shareholders to increase consistently.

WALK for Charity

Please keep an eye out for information about a Gana-A'Yoo Foundation fundraiser walk for charity in Galena as well as in Fairbanks. Visit our website for the most up-to-date information regarding fundraisers.

The Gana-A'Yoo Foundation is funded by endowments from Gana-A'Yoo, along with private donations through various fundraising activities, employee contributions and corporate donations, such as Alyeska Pipeline's Section 29 Alaska Native Program grant. The Foundation board gratefully accepts donations through our online platform, bit.ly/GYFoundationDonation, at any time throughout the year.

Open ENROLLMENT

At last year's annual meeting of shareholders, Gana-A'Yoo shareholders voted to open enrollment to eligible descendants born after December 18, 1971. The Gana-A'Yoo staff have been diligently answering questions and assisting with application submissions since then. Visit our Forms and Links and our Open Enrollment webpages, accessible through ganaayoo.com/shareholder-portal, for the descendant enrollment instruction booklet and application materials. Do not hesitate to contact our corporate office with questions or if you would like assistance with the application.

A descendant enrollment assistance and shareholder records update event took place in Fairbanks on February 1, 2023. Similar events are planned for our villages from mid-April through early May; stay tuned for dates and location. There is NOT an immediate deadline for open enrollment, however, to qualify for the 2023 distribution of \$7.45 per share, eligible descendants must have submitted a complete application by March 24, 2023.

New shares will be awarded up to 100,000 additional shares or a timeframe of 10 years, whichever comes first. Please remember that an original signed and dated application and original certified birth certificate are required for eligibility. To ensure accurate information, we recommend having CIB cards issued by the BIA on file with Gana-A'Yoo.



MARK YOUR *Calendar*

Please visit our website for the most up-to-date information.

MARCH

- 31 Distribution Record Date

APRIL

- 10 Proxy Record Date

MAY

- 1 Application deadline for Gana-A'Yoo summer scholarships
- 5 Stock will drive drawing deadline
- 12 Early bird proxies due for annual meeting of shareholders
- 19 Distribution
- 26 Committee letter of interest deadline
- 29 Memorial Day
Gana-A'Yoo offices closed

JUNE

- 6 Proxies due for annual meeting of shareholders
- 8 Lands and community relations workshop
Galena, Alaska
- 9 Annual meeting of shareholders
Galena, Alaska
- 24 Gana-A'Yoo Board of Directors meeting



LAND & RESOURCES *Priorities*

A lands and community relations workshop is tentatively scheduled for June 8, 2023, prior to the annual meeting of shareholders in Galena. During the workshop, which will be led by a facilitator and the natural resources committee, we will discuss the current Gana-A'Yoo, Limited Land Management Policy manual, what ways the policy can be improved, new policies and how the policies can be more inclusive. Shareholders are invited to attend. If you have questions, comments or concerns, please email lands@ganaayoo.com or call the office at 907.569.9599.

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Meeting ATTENDANCE

Did you know shareholders are welcome to attend Gana-A'Yoo, Limited Board of Director meetings? If you would like to attend, please send a request to info@ganaayoo.com.

STOCK *Wills*

Stock wills are vital to our future; please consider submitting a new or updated stock will. If you submit or update your stock will by May 5, 2023, you will be entered into a drawing to win prizes. All stock wills must be notarized or certified by a postmaster and signed by the shareholder. Shareholders who have submitted a valid stock will within the last five years will be entered into the May 5, 2023, drawing.

CONDOLENCES

Our condolences to the family and friends of:

Annette V. Cossitt, 75, *Nulato Stock*

Lyon B. Edwin, 49, *Koyukuk Stock*

Lance R. Gurtler, 69, *Nulato Stock*

Frances Kriska, 70, *Koyukuk Stock*

Noreen J. Mountain, 58, *Nulato Stock*

Jeremy J.W. Semaken, 42, *Kaltag Stock*

John P. Sommer, 31, *Nulato Stock*

Robert H. Thurmond, 86, *Galena Stock*

Where ARE YOU?

Please visit the Shareholder Portal on our website or contact the office for the updated list of shareholders without current address information on file.