



Baan O Yeel Kon Corporation

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Dear Shareholders and families,

November 30, 2017

I hope your Thanksgiving holiday was great and your Christmas and New Year season will be even greater. Judy Evans continues to keep the office running smoothly. I appreciate her prompt attention to matters and her unique ability to resolve issues for shareholders to their satisfaction.

The Board of Directors had a board meeting in October and set up a committee to review our old bylaws to get them up-to-date and get a web site going for the corporation and its shareholders. I am hopeful we will have this task completed by next annual meeting to share with you. On the recommendation of the Investment Committee, the Board also made a decision not to sell the Rural Alaska building as it will be paid off this December and we have good rental history. One small office space is available at this time. If you know anyone looking for good office space with good parking in the downtown area, please refer them to the corporation office. The house in Rampart is also rented to local residents. The warehouse has been closed up since this fall. Now we need to take care of the old house that we own above the store property. Arrangements have been made with the Village Council to tear the cabin down for safety reasons.

I did have the opportunity to visit the NTVI office in Washington, D.C. this month. NTVI is working hard on getting new contracts. They have been working on building good working relationships with current clients to get renewed contracts in the future. NTVI employees were happy with the turn-around of the corporation and ready to push forward seeking new work in areas that they have had success in doing.

Regarding our scholarship program, this fall we had twenty students apply, four new applicants and many returning students. This is a great group of students and all holding good solid GPAs. The committee awards \$800-\$1000 to full-time students; \$400-\$600 to part time students for the scholarship program, and \$600-800 to vocational students. BOYK and NTVI donate to the Scholarship program each year.

I wish you all a very happy and prosperous New Year.

Sincerely,

Linda M Evans
President

SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM DEADLINES

January 3 for Spring Semester

June 30 for Fall Semester

NO summer semester deadline

Attached is the scholarship application for you to use along with the guidelines that explains all the information that the BOYK scholarship committee needs from the students.

You can email, fax, mail or drop your scholarship application off at the BOYK office.

The BOYK office is located at 529 6th Avenue, Suite 202

BOYK NEWSLETTER BY EMAIL

Would you like to start receiving the newsletter by email?

Please email boyk@mosquitonet.com to state you would like to receive the newsletter by email.

NTVI Computer Recycling Program

NTVI is pleased to announce a new computer recycling program, which will make used and de-commissioned corporate laptops available to Shareholders and Descendants. This technology, which is in perfect working condition, can be used to enhance Shareholder understanding of BOYK and NTVI, expand networking and career opportunities, and achieve educational goals. Acquiring an available system can greatly benefit Shareholders with academic, business, and personal computer needs.

Preference to Shareholders/ Descendants for an academic benefit. The BOYK Scholarship Committee reviews applications and make final determinations.

Limits: This is a program based on system availability, which relies on connecting with approved candidates as systems are available.

Our goal is to benefit our Shareholder base, one connection at a time!

If you are interested in applying for a refurbished computer please use the attached application.

Thank you.

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November 3, 2017

Hello from Rampart, Alaska,

We would like to give an update on our community to keep everyone informed and share the accomplishments we have been achieving by working together to rebuild Rampart.

Currently all council member positions are filled, Dawn Newman is the newly appointed Secretary/Treasurer.

All 3 major projects that happened in Rampart have been completed, these projects were Weatherization, construction of the Teacher Duplex, and construction of the 2 (3) bedroom homes.

School has been going great, we have fourteen students enrolled Kindergarten—12th grade and have applied for early head start with TCC for the give children ages four and under. WE have four middle school basketball players that join with Minto and have begun local fundraising. There is planned future fundraising such as 50/50 raffle boards, prize raffle, etc.

RVC was not awarded the ICDBG to construct two more 3 bedroom homes and o 6 onsite water/sewer projects, we were not awarded the SEDS-AK grant either to expand the Ramp-City Trading Post. We would like to thank Mary Ann Wiehl for working so hard to write our Grants and congratulate her on getting awarded The Denali Commission grant to do Phase II of the Airport Road project.

The Ramp-City Trading Post has been operating in the black which we are very happy about. We have started to expand our inventory, and also stay open longer hours on the weekends. We plan to keep moving forward with the store and adding more inventory little by little.

We are also advertising for 2 operator positions to maintain the Rampart Road/Trail this winter. Last spring we did our first pilot project to see if opening the Rampart Road/Trail is feasible and we are glad to say that even though it was not a highway it was very feasible and nice to be able to drive all the way to Rampart in a vehicle.

Summer of 2018 projects will be: installation of wells and septic at 6 homes through the Scattered Sites program with ANTHC, Lagoon/Waste Lines repair for the Laundromat and School with ANTHC, Phase II of the Airport Road, and pending housing projects with the HUD funds that were obligated to ICDGB grant we were not awarded.

If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to contact the tribal office and we will try to help you to the best of our ability. Thank you.

Sincerely,
Rampart Village Council

NTVI FEDERAL INC. UPDATE

Our Mission Statement: To secure and successfully perform best value contracts with our customers to provide meaningful benefits for our Alaska Native Corporation shareholders.

NTVI Federal Inc. Board and Management have been working together since July to strengthen the foundation of the Corporation and to stabilize its position to start winning awards. The Board has decided to table the appointment of any new Board members until a later time. We will keep the current Board: Altona Rathbun, Chair, Gary Moore, Vice-Chair and Lori Bishop, Secretary. Although we met with the non-shareholder Board member candidate and considered a BOYK Board member we decided by stabilizing the Board we would give Management a chance to implement the new business structure.

Renee Pezold, Interim President/CFO has been working to build a team that not only works well together, but is willing to go the extra mile. Some of the employees stuck through the past management changes and others came back to join the team to build a even stronger team. The three lines of business are being established to stabilize the Corporation and position it to rebuilding relationships with customers and win new awards. Funded awards are small since July but with a strong cash position we strive toward stability and profit.

Compliance with the SBA is important as we get ready to increase our revenue and get back to the original ANC model of small set aside contracts. Returning to the ANC model of set asides will help to build the sustainability this Corporation needs to become successful. Reducing costs in the General and Administrative category not only helps the bottom line but it positions us to line up with similarly situated companies of our size. As we take a deep dive into the current situation with the SBA and remedying any non-compliance issues we are shaping existing open and unused companies to apply for 8(a) applications.

NTVI is working towards expanding the small contracts without sacrificing the bottom line to build upon and maintain its base. Our strategy in working together is to pursue 8A and Small Business opportunities that are moderate to small size to best fit our plan right now. Increasing bids to spread across the different lines of business: professional services, construction and facilities management while leveraging our past performance. With the use of our knowledgeable staff to reach out to our customer base, using the technical knowledge and assisting in recruiting gives NTVI the best possible position to win the awards needed to continue to be successful.

NTVI Board and Management is working hard to stabilize, build revenue and lower costs to give back to you the Shareholder.

Yours truly,
Altona Rathbun
Chair

Yukon Fish Wheels: Adapting Old Designs for a New Era

By: Anjali Grantham

Charlie Wright, Sr. relates the story of when the first fish wheel was constructed on the bend of the Yukon River where the village of Rampart rests, deep in Alaska's Interior. Wright's great grandfather, Al "Cap" Mayo, carried the spruce poles and other materials down to the shore and started assembling the contraption while villagers laughed at him. They wondered, how could that device possibly catch salmon better than the fish fences and traps that they used, or the nets that they wove from whatever materials they could gather? But once Mayo's fish wheel started scooping salmon from the mighty river, the Koyukon Athabaskan villagers were quickly convinced of the gear's efficiency. The Rampart region of the Yukon River became fish wheel country.

Cap Mayo might have been accustomed to making people laugh well before making that first fish wheel in the area, having spent his youth as a circus performer before heading to the North. Mayo travelled through Canada, entering Alaska territory via the Yukon River. Beginning in the 1880s, Mayo and his partners Jack McQuesten (of Yukon Jack fame) and Arthur Harper worked as fur traders, store operators, and prospectors from Tanana in Alaska's interior to Fort Selkirk in Yukon Territory. All three men married Koyukon women. Mayo ran the trading post at Tanana beginning in 1894, with his wife Margaret (Neehunilthnoh).

Mayo, who is the namesake of the village in Yukon Territory, died in 1924, well after fish wheels had become a part of life in the Rampart region. Mayo's great grandson Wright recalls how the sound of the fish wheel permeated his dreams as a child. "On a calm night, the big kings would be banging in the fish wheel box across the river, and they were so large that the sound would wake us up," he remembers. A man of slight stature couldn't help but drag the tale of those huge kings on the ground while carrying them, Wright contends, while today Wright can carry three in one hand, like one would carry silver salmon.

Every year of his youth, Wright worked with his family to harvest young spruce trees, turn them into poles, and then steam bend the poles to prepare for the construction of new fish wheels. Back then, the village didn't have the heavy equipment required to pull the wheels from the river at the end of the season, so they often lasted just a year, providing Wright with plenty of construction practice. He remembers fish camps every ten miles along the river, full of families operating fish wheels alongside racks of scarlet-hued dried salmon.

Eventually, gillnets began to replace fish wheels as the gear of choice, and knowledge of fish wheel construction began to wane. Moreover, chinook returns became such that even subsistence fishing in the region is curtailed. Prompted both by poor chinook returns, obligations to the Pacific Salmon Treaty and Yukon River Salmon Agreement, and a desire to pass the tradition of fish wheels on to the next generation, Wright is partnering with others to resuscitate fish wheels while modifying them to fit new needs.

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Wright creates “fish friendly” fish wheels, utilizing soft mesh for the baskets and adding padding to the chute. The salmon travel down this chute to reach a box from which the fish are plucked. The kind of fish wheel that Wright builds doesn’t injure salmon to the extent of typically-constructed fish wheels, helping off-limit species (like kings) to return to the water with a greater chance of survival. These modified fish wheels are particularly friendly to Canada-bound fish, Wright contends, since the fish wheels are set along the banks of the river rather than jutting out towards the center, as gillnets do. He explains that the middle of the river is a fish super highway, destined for Canadian spawning grounds, while fish destined for local tributaries cling to the side. Consequently, these fish friendly fish wheels can help Alaska to respect treaty obligations and enhance returns to Canada, hopefully allowing for more fishing opportunities along the Alaska stretch of the Yukon.

Wright sees returning to traditional fishing methods along the Yukon as a chance to enhance Chinook returns and ensure cultural survival. This summer, Wright has taught youth to build a fish friendly fish wheel in Stevens Village. “It’s feeding many, many families now,” he reports. He also worked with the Tanana Chief Council’s recent Spirit Camp to teach fish wheel construction to kids at camp. The Tanana Native Council has teamed with Tanana Chief Council to extend camps to other villages with the aim of promoting traditional cultural knowledge. If Wright has his way, the legacy of his great grandfather’s fish wheels will persist, the Rampart region will be fish wheel country again, and chinooks as large as one can imagine will bang in fish boxes, waking up a new generation of fishermen.

We, the BOYK board and shareholders, are very pleased to read about Charlie’s contributions to cultural and traditional activities. We encourage other shareholders to share information and pictures about their parents, grandparents and other relatives of the past.

NTVI COMPUTER REFURBISH APPLICATION

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Yes, I am interested in a refurbished and previously used laptop computer for academic, business, or personal use. Please submit the application by fax, mail, or email.

Full Name: _____

Home Address: _____

Contact Number: _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Email: _____

BOYK Shareholder: (Yes / No) List Shareholder Name: _____

BOYK Shareholder Descendant: (Yes/No) List Name _____

Are you presently attending college? YES NO

College Name: _____

Major: _____

How will a computer system (laptop) benefit your academic, business, or personal goals?

Describe the work you have an interest in and work experience. Attach a resume if available.

Do you currently own a computer? If so, what type? How old is your computer?

If not, what are you currently using?

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Boyk Corp. Face book page

Baan O Yeel Kon Corporation has a Face book page. It's a great way to keep in contact with shareholders and descendants about upcoming meeting dates and scholarship program deadlines. If you have Face book please send a request to Boyk Corp.

If you have any announcements, pictures or information you would like included in the next newsletter please email, fax, mail, or call the office to let us know. Baan O Yeel Kon encourages shareholder involvement. Please send us any short stories or personal experiences you would like in the next newsletter.

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