

# THE ALEUTIAN CURRENT



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*Katherine Grimnes drumming submitted by Rande Grimnes-Leggett*

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**WISHING OUR ALEUT  
FAMILY HAPPY  
HOLIDAYS DURING  
THIS FESTIVE SEASON!**

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## 2020 ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS RESULTS

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## MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT & CEO

Fellow Shareholders,

The virtual 48th Annual Meeting of Shareholders was well-attended this year with shareholders accessing the meeting via internet and telephonically. The positive feedback we have received regarding the Annual Report, Mask Up and Vote campaign, as well as the virtual Annual Meeting has been overwhelmingly positive. Your comments and feedback are important to me and although I cannot respond to each person individually, know that I take to heart each and every comment received.

The Annual Meeting provides the opportunity to inform shareholders about the progress of the Company in any given year. In FY20, The Aleut Corporation achieved consolidated gross revenues of \$277 million which is an increase of 4% as compared to the previous year. Income before taxes and non-controlling interest for FY20 was \$9.6 million. The main reason for the growth was due primarily to improved operational performance. We are currently putting systems and procedures into place to help drive profitable growth. These growth strategies will allow us to utilize more of our Net Operating Losses (NOLs), and will provide the foundation to support our mission of maximizing dividends and opportunities for our shareholders.

The Aleut Corporation made contributions to charitable and not-for-profit organizations that benefit our shareholders and descendants totaling \$1.8 million in FY20. I am pleased to report that we consistently meet the Board internship goal by providing internship opportunities for our shareholders and descendants within the region as well as within our subsidiaries and throughout Alaska. In addition to our summer internships, we will be providing additional opportunities this winter with the Alaska Department of Fish & Game in Unalaska. Please look for information on page 7 of this newsletter.

Communication with our shareholders and descendants is a priority for our Board, management, and staff. Please take advantage of our website; shareholder portal; Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, and LinkedIn social media pages; TAC Talks videos; and newsletters. These methods of communication are especially important since we're unable to meet face-to-face due to COVID-19. These tools will keep you informed about what is happening in your corporation.

We continue to pursue opportunities in Adak as directed by your Board. We work closely with other entities operating on



island including the City, the school, the Navy, and the Fish & Wildlife Service. We currently sell fuel in Adak; lease commercial property; and operate lodging accommodations, car rental, and other logistics through our subsidiaries. We work closely with our Congressional Delegations and aggressively market Adak as a strategic location to multiple industries.

As we begin to wrap up 2020, I'd like to wish you and your family a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year! Ruuzdistvachxizax ama Slum Tagadagan Inixsinaa imchix anuxtakus! (Atka Dialect)

*Thomas Mack*

President & CEO

## BOARD CHAIR REPORT

Greetings Shareholders,

The Aleut Corporation successfully completed the first-ever online Annual Meeting of Shareholders in October. While this was historic, we hope the circumstances for which this virtual meeting was held do not happen again. Your Board always looks forward to interacting with shareholders at every shareholder meeting and works hard to always be accessible to our people. In the spirit of accessibility, The Aleut Corporation once again treaded on new ground when we decided to hold our October 9, 2021, Annual Meeting in Seattle,

Washington. The Seattle area is fast becoming one of the most populous areas of shareholders, second only to Anchorage, and the Board has been discussing this possibility for some time now. Of course, all of

this is dependent on our situation come October next year. For now, the Board looks forward to this move next year.

The Annual Meeting this year brought a new Board member to the table. Welcome to the Board, Mr. Anthony Lekanof. Also, congratulations to incumbent Board members Ms. Tara Bourdukofsky and Ms. Jenifer Nelson, for your successful campaign and elections as well. The Board is also pleased to announce the election of TAC officers, with me as Chairman, Jenifer Nelson as Vice-Chair, Debra Mack as Secretary, and

new to an officer role, Kyle Foster as Treasurer.

In closing, I want to once again, extend our thanks to outgoing Board Member, Mr. Stanley Mack. Stanley was recognized this year at our



Original Patrick Lind Painting gifted to Director Mack on behalf of the Board.



Annual Meeting for his years of dedicated service to the Aleut people. Stanley, on behalf of the Board. I just want to say that we will continue to "get 'er done" inside the boardroom!

Wishing everyone a safe holiday season this year. On behalf of the Board, Happy Thanksgiving and Merry Christmas. Stay safe during these challenging times.

Sincerely,

Sharon Guenther Lind, Ph.D.

*Sharon Guenther Lind*

Chairman of the Board  
Board Member, MOTA

## TRIUMPHANT JOURNEYS: THE ALASKA BUSINESS 2020 TOP 49ERS

The Top 49ers are Alaska's largest businesses: they are at least 51 percent Alaskan-owned and ranked by gross revenue. They create jobs in Alaska and globally, and through worldwide operations they draw revenue back to the Last Frontier, revenue they then invest in Alaska's communities.

This year, The Aleut Corporation has ranked at #16 on this prestigious list. We're proud of this achievement, and how it reflects the health and success of our corporation and our subsidiaries, and the fulfillment of our mission to maximize dividends and opportunities for our shareholders.



## OCTOBER BOARD ACTIONS

Authorized management to sell vacant land in Colorado Springs

Approved the 2020 Election results

Elected TAC officers as follows: Sharon Guenther Lind, Chairman; Jenifer Nelson, Vice-Chair; Kyle Foster, Treasurer; Debra Mack, Secretary; and Dave Nevzuroff, Assistant Secretary

Approved Board Committee appointments as selected by the Board

Approved the 2021 Board Calendar

Re-appointed Millie McKeown and Colleen Dushkin to the TAF Board of Directors

Approved Resolution 05-2020 Management of First Tier Subsidiary Companies

Approved Resolution 06-2020 Naming Officers of The Company

Approved the location of the 2021 Shareholder Annual Meeting in Seattle, Washington on October 9, 2021



# 2020 ANNUAL MEETING RESULTS



ELECTION RESULTS	
CANDIDATE	NUMBER OF VOTES
Tara L. Bourdukofsky	119,793.0882
Dick Jacobsen	66,364.4921
James Jenckes II	72,635.9678
Anthony C. Lekanof	99,207.1643
Jenifer Samuelson Nelson	115,854.4230
J. Hugh Pelkey	38,713.8258

### CONGRATULATIONS TO THE PROXY PRIZE WINNERS

- \$5,000 Emil A. Gundersen III, Renton, WA
- \$2,500 Sari J. Williams, Kalaheo, HI
- \$2,500 Larry Stepetin, Anchorage, AK
- \$1,000 Shaine C. Nielsen, Sand Point, AK
- \$1,000 Randy J. Philemonof, Anchorage, AK
- \$500 Janessa Caldentey, Palmer, AK
- \$500 Aiden Bristol, Anchorage, AK
- \$500 Sharayah Foster, Anchorage, AK
- \$500 Tammy Jo Carter Groves, Fence Lake, NM
- \$500 Nancy J. Maxwell, Cincinnati, OH
- \$250 Mary Lou Frame, Belen, NM
- \$250 Lou Ann Koso, King Cove, AK
- \$250 Boris Bear, Akutan, AK
- \$250 Margaret Kewan, Port Lions, AK
- \$250 Mark Snigaroff, Atka, AK

### WEBCAST DRAWING

- \$100 Diana Ganni, Napa, CA
- \$100 Carlos Torres, Daly City, CA

### TELECONFERENCE DRAWING

- \$100 Marii Swetzof, Atka, AK
- \$100 Jason Mack, King Cove, AK

### EARLY BIRD WINNERS

- \$2,500 Phillip Samuelson, King Cove, AK
- \$1,500 Melissa Hocutt, Bloomfield, NY
- \$1,500 Loretta Thomas, Anchorage, AK
- \$1,500 John C. Cowden, Walla Walla, WA
- \$1,500 Gary Hanson, Anchorage, AK

### MEETING PARTICIPATION

#### WEBCAST

80 Desktop Users

56 Mobile Users

- 9 different states:
- 40 from Washington
- 70 from Alaska
- 7 from California
- 3 from Arizona

136 Total

#### TELECONFERENCE

48 participants

# INTRO TO OUR VILLAGE CORPORATIONS

**NAME OF CORPORATION:** Shumagin Corporation

**LOCATION:** Sand Point, Alaska

**NUMBER OF SHAREHOLDERS:** 501

### BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

- Glen Gardner, Jr., Shumagin President
- Mikal McGlashan, Shumagin Vice President
- Charlotte Gundersen, Secretary/Treasurer
- Jason Bjorstad, Director
- Joanna Karlsen, Director
- Peter Devine, Jr., Director
- Dennis Gundersen, Director
- Steven Galovin, Sr., Director
- Wayne Gundersen, Director

### LINES OF BUSINESS:

Real Estate, Rental, and Leasing

### SUBSIDIARIES:

Anchor Inn & Lounge and Sand Point Tavern



### WHAT MAKES YOUR CORPORATION UNIQUE?

Ownership of Buffalo heard on Popoff Island

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# THE MUSEUM OF THE ALEUTIANS

Periodically, the Aleutian Current will feature historical information on the Aleut people authored by the Museum of the Aleutians. The feature will include information on Aleut artifacts, people, or even places. We hope you find this new section of our newsletter informative and educational.

## WILLIAM S. LAUGHLIN LEGACY COLLECTION

Unangan oral history and western written accounts tell of the local resistance to Russian intrusion in the Aleutian Islands that culminated in what is known as the Aleut Uprising of 1763-1764. With the arrival of the promyshleniki from Russia in the preceding decades, Unangan were pressed into service to hunt sea otters and other fur-bearers to supply Russian demand for the valuable pelts. In 1763 Unangan in the Fox Islands began to resist these demands resulting in a series of attacks on Russian ships and crews. In 1764, a group of promyshleniki headed by Dennis Medvedev had established a station at Chaluka village in Nikolski Bay on Umnak Island. Nearly two hundred years later, Unangan colleagues of anthropologist William S. Laughlin, drawing from oral history passed down through the centuries, recounted the attack on the

Medvedev party at Chaluka by Umnak Unangan that had occurred in 1764. After the attack, Russians buried their dead in a single grave. Laughlin's team investigated this location in 1970 and uncovered archaeological evidence to corroborate the Unangan oral history of this event. Metal buttons and other Russian artifacts were recovered by and stored for decades without further investigation. These artifacts were recently brought to light again in the course of MOTA's ongoing inventory of the William S. Laughlin legacy collection received in 2001 and 2014.



## CASH FOR GOOD GRADES & ATTENDANCE!\*

7th- 12th Grade TAC Shareholders & Registered Descendants: TAC will draw three \$100 cash prize winners for the categories below.

Fall 2020 Semester Report Cards are due Friday, January 29, 2020.

### TWO CHANCES TO WIN!

- Excellent GPA (3.5 GPA or above)
- Outstanding attendance (90% attendance)

### TO SUBMIT YOUR REPORT CARD, YOU CAN:

- Scan and email it to records@aleutcorp.com
- Fax it to 907-563-4328 (if you fax it, please call to ensure the fax was received)
- Mail/deliver it to 4000 Old Seward Highway, Suite 300, Anchorage, AK 99503
- For official rules and deadlines visit aleutcorp.com/youthincentive





# TAC BOARD SPOTLIGHT

## SHARON GUENTHER LIND PH.D.

**BOARD POSITIONS HELD:** Chair

**OCCUPATION:** Research Associate Professor, Business and Indigenous Studies at Alaska Pacific University; Museum of Aleutians Board of Directors

### WHAT LED YOU TO SERVE ON THE TAC BOARD OF DIRECTORS?

Originally, I ran for a board seat because I wanted to contribute to the company and get involved in a new way.

At the time, I had been the director of Shareholder Affairs at TAC. I loved that job and while I knew somewhat how things worked, I also knew I'd have to step down if I won. Leaving that family company was very hard, but I was passionate about helping our people.

That passion comes from my history and how I was raised. My Mom was actually one of the Aleuts who was forcibly removed from her home during WWII and moved to Southeast Alaska. After all of that, she did go back home with her parents as the youngest of the family, but her mom died after the war due to the deplorable living conditions Alaska Natives faced in the Southeast. My mom was sent to Wrangell when she was 7, and pretty much grew up in an institution. The institution tried very hard to strip her of her Indigeness: My mom lost her language, and much of her history. However she was able to maintain a connection with her culture and people in spite of all of that hardship.

I grew up in Kenai, Alaska. After high school, while I initially told my parents that I was going to take a year off before going to college, my mom convinced me to go straight to college. I attended Warner Pacific University for 4 years, and got a degree in business management, and a minor in Math.

Growing up, my mom always wanted us to know our culture, where we came from, and who our family was. We were always exposed to my dad's side of the family, but we couldn't afford to fly out to the Aleutians to see my mom's family. She always wanted us to be in touch with our culture. When registration came about for shareholders I don't even think she understood what was happening with ANCSA. I remember getting things from TAC in the mail and asking her what they were. She would just tell me, "It's your future." Little did she know how prophetic those words were. Those types of conversations made me very interested in TAC.

### HOW DID YOU START AT TAC AND END UP RUNNING THE SHAREHOLDER DEPARTMENT?

My brother told me I just had to apply for this Shareholder Affairs director position at TAC. I was a kid - 22-years-old, fresh-out-of college. I really thought I didn't have a chance, but then-president John Larsen flew me up to Alaska from Portland because he wanted to meet me and was interested in me and cared deeply about mentoring. He took a huge risk on me and hired me. I never forgot that. I always thanked him and really paid respect to him for giving me a chance.



When I came to The Aleut Corporation back then in the late 1980s, things were very different. This was my first exposure to ANCSA (the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act) - you couldn't pull a book off a shelf and know how to run a corporation shareholder department, so I had to seek out that information on my own. I sat down and read the Act, and read the amendments. This is during a time when the 1988 amendments to ANCSA were being signed and going into effect.

When I joined, the amendments had already passed, and we were dealing with how to implement them in our regional and village corporations. So I played a very large role in educating our people on those amendments. We decided during that time to maintain the restrictions on TAC shares. That was the right decision, and it's benefited our people.

### WHY ARE YOU SO PASSIONATE ABOUT SERVING ON THE BOARD?

My passion lies in education, and in making a better world for the next generation. I look at what my mom went through - she had no choices at all. Imagine living from the time you're little until you're 18 with no choices or self-determination at all. A lot of that drive has been instilled in me by her and my dad - just giving back, and making things better for the next generation. I feel like I'm part of that and want to continue to be part of that.

### WHAT DO YOU WANT THE CORPORATION TO LOOK LIKE IN THE FUTURE?

We are a collectivist society - we take care of our own. And we absolutely need to do so now. The qualities that make us who we are as Aleut people are critical. We take care of our own in ways that others can't.

As a Board, we are laser-focused on our mission. That's what drives us every single Board meeting. I read the mission statement at the beginning of every Board meeting to remind us all of why we're here. And we fulfill that mission in a variety of ways. I am a product of The Aleut Foundation and the scholarships that allow our people to access higher education. I'm proud that we're paying these kids to go to school, and I want that to grow.

As an educator, it's really fun to work with our young people, and that's one of my biggest passions, and I get to do it almost 24-7. I love it when they come back to me and say, "You changed my life!" It's so wonderful to hear back from them and see them mature.

I also want our people to have something they can count on. I want regular and meaningful benefits for our people, whether that be in the form of dividends, educational benefits, elder's benefits, burial assistance, on, and on. I want our people to count on us.

# TAC IN BUSINESS

## ALEUT REAL ESTATE, LLC

The mission of The Aleut Corporation (TAC) is to maximize dividends and opportunities for our shareholders. Through the successful operation of our subsidiaries, we provide dividends, employment, training, and other opportunities for our shareholders and their descendants. TAC in Business highlights TAC subsidiaries as well as job opportunities available through our subsidiary and contacts.

**COMPANY:** Aleut Real Estate, LLC

**GENERAL MANAGER:** Melvin Smith is an original shareholder of The Aleut Corporation and has been with The Aleut Corporation family for 23 years!

**LOCATION:** 4000 Old Seward Hwy, Anchorage, AK

**ABOUT ALEUT REAL ESTATE:** Established in 1996, Aleut Real Estate, LLC (ARE) is a wholly-owned subsidiary of The Aleut Corporation and currently manages and invests in commercial and residential real estate developments in Alaska, Colorado, Oregon, and Washington. ARE is dedicated to making sound, long-term investments, and teaming with highly ethical and respectable partners.

The Aleut Corporation's ANCSA land entitlements of 70,789 acres of surface lands and 1.572 million acres of subsurface estate are located throughout the Aleut Region and are managed by ARE. As ARE manages the development of these resources, our shareholders benefit through direct employment, contracting opportunities, and dividends. ARE employs environmentally and socially responsible practices preserving our traditional activities like hunting, fishing, and gathering while mitigating and minimizing any associated negative impact in order to sustain our Native way of life.

**ONE OF ARE'S PROJECTS:** ARE oversees contracts and communications with Redstar Gold's Exploration in our region. Unga remains Redstar's flagship project and in August, Redstar and the Unga Corporation agreed to extend the surface access rights with a new agreement for a three-year period. Further, the company has restarted exploration at the project with an 8,000-meter drilling program planned on Unga and Popof Islands from September to November 2021. The program is focused on showing the potential of the project to host a larger gold resource that supports Redstar's ultimate goal to return Unga to a producing gold mine. There are many



more steps including further technical, regulatory, social, and financial decisions on this path; Redstar will keep ARE, TAC, and all stakeholders well informed during the process.

**JOB:** TAC, ARE, and Redstar are committed to providing local job opportunities. This has resulted in two jobs and likely a third in the coming weeks being filled by local residents.

The types of jobs that will likely be available at Redstar in 2021 include:

- Field assistant – cook's helper
- Field assistant – drill core sampling
- Field assistant – drill core geo-technician
- Field assistant – drill pad construction
- Environmental steward

Anyone interested in learning about available positions should contact Redstar with an email containing the subject heading of "Unga Project" to: [stewart.harris@redstargold.com](mailto:stewart.harris@redstargold.com)





# THE ALEUT FOUNDATION UPDATE: NOVEMBER 2020

## TAF HONOR SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

### JILLIAN ELAINE BJORNSTAD

I would like to thank you for selecting me as the recipient of the Gabe Stepetin Business Scholarship. Since I graduated high school in 2016 and went on to my undergraduate degree at the University of Alaska Fairbanks, I had received a scholarship from The Aleut Foundation every year. When I considered continuing my higher education by pursuing my Master of Business Administration, I was concerned about finding graduate-level scholarships. In previous years I had relied a lot on four-year scholarships. The Aleut Foundation has a graduate scholarship, but I was not sure what to expect. Receiving the Gabe Stepetin Business Scholarship has really taken a bit of weight off my shoulders and has allowed me to stay motivated at the mid-point in the semester. Every time I get any sort of scholarship I am extremely grateful as it allows me to pursue my goals, but it also helps show my peers that there is educational funding out there for whatever anyone might want to do. With determination and hard work anyone could pursue an education, but having the support from TAF has really allowed me to explore my own path.

Txin Qaġaasakuqing!  
Jillian Elaine Bjornstad

### KYRIE DYAKANOFF

I would like to express how grateful I am for The Aleut Foundation and their extreme generosity towards helping me achieve my educational goals. I am beyond honored to have been selected for Lillie Hope-McGarvey scholarship from TAF. This is such an amazing opportunity and such a motivator to help me through not only nursing school, but my nursing career as well. I hope to one day give back to others the way this scholarship gave back to me.

Thank you again for your generosity; I am forever thankful.  
Sincerely,  
Kyrie Dyakanoff



### ARIEL VERGEN

I am incredibly honored to receive this award and inspired by everything it represents. As a writer and theatremaker my indigeneity has been key to expressing my worldview, and its intersection with my queerness pushes me to create art on-stage and in writing that expresses this often-ignored niche of identity. This scholarship will allow me to continue my studies as an English and Theatre Arts double major to bring a greater depth to stories and plays centering Aleuts and the LGBTQ+ community. On the day I received notice of the award, I was working on an indigenous-futurism piece for my Advanced Fiction class, a genre not yet well explored by writers, much less those of indigenous backgrounds. Alaska has so much to offer in terms of inspiration, from the spiritual connection I feel with the land and creatures to the community who supports me in my schoolings and creative endeavors. To the TAF board, qaġaasakung from the bottom of my heart. I look forward to further expressing Native Alaskan experiences and exploring the world of literature and theatre with my community behind me.

Ariel Vergen

### HALIEHANA STEPETIN

I accept this scholarship with great humility and commit to upholding Unangaġ values in my educational pursuits and personal life. I would not have been able to serve in the military without the support of my family, the warrior spirit of service that I inherited from my father, the late Thomas Stepetin, or the support of the Unangaġ community. I recognize my responsibility and accountability to my family and in the perpetuation of Unangaġ cultural knowledge for generations to come. I am beyond grateful to the TAF board for selecting me for this honor.

Qaġaasakuq,  
Haliehana Stepetin



## TAF HONOR SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS (CONTINUED)

### SILVIA LEON GUERRERO

After receiving notice that I was bestowed the great honor of being awarded the Alice Petrivelli Leadership Scholarship, I took a moment to reflect on Alice's life and work. She was a resilient Unangax woman who led with integrity and vision. Through her work and The Aleut Corporation and the Aleut Foundation boards of directors' continued efforts, Unangax shareholders and descendants realize their educational



goals, cultural connectedness, and aspirations of service to our community. I was taught that educating yourself and working for your community is central to our future success as Unangan people. I am truly grateful and honored to receive this scholarship, and I want to thank the corporation and foundation board of directors for all your work to advance the Unangan people.

Txin Qaġaasakuqing  
Silvia Leon Guerrero

Division of Subsistence, Alaska Department of Fish and Game



# Internship Opportunity!

## Subsistence Research Interns



No experience necessary, open to all Aleut Corporation Shareholders and descendants!



The Division of Subsistence at ADF&G scientifically gathers, quantifies, evaluates, and reports information about customary and traditional uses of Alaska's fish and wildlife resources. This winter ADF&G is conducting household harvest surveys to update subsistence harvest information for Unalaska. We are looking for a **motivated intern** with an interest in local wild foods. The ideal candidate will be interested in learning more about the significance of wild resource use in Unalaska, and the research and regulatory processes related to **subsistence** activities.

**POSITION TITLE:** Subsistence Research Intern

**WHEN:** January – March 2021 (with potential to expand into spring and summer months)

**POSITION DESCRIPTION:** Subsistence Research Interns will assist with facilitating household harvest surveys including delivering surveys to local households, retrieving surveys, assisting with local outreach efforts, and answering questions from survey

participants. This will be a self-administered survey effort to avoid in-person contact during the Covid-19 pandemic. Hours are flexible, and a list of responsibilities will be developed based on intern's interests and skill sets.

**MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS:** Must live in Unalaska and have the ability to deliver and retrieve surveys outside of people's homes.

For more information or to apply for this position, please contact us!

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Aleut Corporation  
dmack@aleutcorp.com  
(907) 561-4300

Jackie Keating, Division of Subsistence  
Alaska Department of Fish and Game  
jacqueline.keating@alaska.gov  
(907) 267-2368

**FOR INFORMATION ABOUT EDUCATIONAL SCHOLARSHIPS, TRAVEL SCHOLARSHIPS, OR ANY OTHER PROGRAMS TAF PROVIDES, PLEASE CONTACT THE ALEUT FOUNDATION AT: 907-646-1929 OR 800-232-4882 AND ASK TO BE TRANSFERRED TO THE ALEUT FOUNDATION.**

FAX: 907-646-1949  
TAF@THEALEUTFOUNDATION.ORG  
HTTP://WWW.THEALEUTFOUNDATION.ORG



**REMINDER: THERE ARE NO DEADLINES FOR VOCATIONAL SCHOLARSHIPS OR CAREER DEVELOPMENT. THESE APPLICATIONS ARE AVAILABLE ONLINE.**



# THE ALEUT FOUNDATION IS PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE THE FOLLOWING RECIPIENTS

## HONORS

Cade Austin, *Computer Science/Leadership/Mathematics* - University of Denver

Julianne Berikoff, *Nursing* - Northwest Nazarene University

Caela Brandal, *Biology* - Suny Polytechnic Institute

Jeanie Campbell, *Occupational Safety & Health* - Columbia Southern University

Clara Chapman, *Public Health/Native American & Indigenous Studies* - Fort Lewis College

John Curtis, *Social Science* - Alaska Pacific University

Sophia Dupras, *Undeclared* - William & Mary University

Aurora Dushkin, *Computer Science* - Montana State University

Sarai Etheridge, *Dietetics* - University of Alaska Anchorage

Elizabeth Fouts, *Cultural Studies/Spanish* - Harding University

Micah Fouts, *Undeclared* - John Brown University

Brittany Gardner, *Biological Sciences* - University of Alaska Anchorage

Taya Gouley, *Nursing/Environmental Studies* - Lower Columbia College

Julia Johannesen, *Journalism* - University of Oregon

Carter Johnson, *Chemical Engineering* - Arizona State University

Sydney Kashevarof, *Accounting* - Chaminade University

Kayla Kashevarof, *Accounting/Business* - University of Alaska Anchorage

Jeffery Kauffman, *Finance* - Northern Arizona University

Jade Kochuten, *Nursing* - Trinity Western University

Douglas Krukoff, *Biological Sciences* - Columbia University

Svetlana Landt-Ortega, *Art/Japanese Studies* - University of Alaska Fairbanks

Michael Lapinskas, *Liberal Arts* - Chemeketa Community College

Brayden Legget, *Undeclared* - Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Jordan Lestenkof, *Business* - Highline College

Elaina Mack, *Kinesiology* - University of Alaska Anchorage

Maxim Malavansky, *Business Administration / Political Science* - Northern Virginia College

Lillian Mandregan-Burroughs, *Nursing Science* - University of Alaska Anchorage

Kayla Marcoulier, *Nursing* - Grand Canyon University

Victoria Marquez, *Nursing Science/Alaska Native Studies* - University of Alaska Anchorage

Savanna Maxon, *Biology/Japanese* - Adrian College

Mia McWilliams, *Business Administration-Accounting* - California State University East Bay

Danielle Mercurief, *Health Sciences* - Alaska Pacific University

Evan Mercurief, *Youth & Education Ministry/Psychology* - Multnomah University

Kasie Murphy, *Health Sciences/Allied Health* - Sierra College

Shannel Newman, *Communications/Psychology* - Hawaii Pacific University

Domenic Pallotta, *Engineering* - Arizona State University

Erica Parker, *Chemistry/Mathematics* - California State Univ Sacramento

Lauren Peters, *Native American Studies* - University of California Davis

Andrew Peters, *Biological Sciences* - University of California Davis

Victoria Phillips, *Nursing* - Concordia University

Benjamin Raugust, *Cognitive Science* - University of California Davis

Abigail Rutledge, *Biology/Spanish* - Wheaton College

William Rutledge, *Business Administration / Journalism* - University of North Carolina - Chapel Hill

Anna Rutledge, *Zoology/Spanish* - Liberty University

Noah Samuelson, *Aeronautical Management Technology* - Arizona State University

Daniel Shellikoff, *Liberal Studies* - Alaska Pacific University

Robert Snigaroff, *Economics-Mathematics* - Columbia University

Kallin Spiller, *Psychology/Business Management* - Columbia University

Lily Stewart, *Pre-Med* - Evergreen State College

Lavonna Thomas, *Social Work/Psychology* - Misericordia University

Samantha Torres-Taylor, *English, Political Science /Classical Studies* - University of San Diego

Monica Yatchmeneff, *Undeclared* - University of Alaska Southeast

## EXCEPTIONAL

Lauren Denham, *Political Science/History, Women & Gender Studies* - Texas Christian University

Grace Dushkin, *Nursing* - St. Scholastica

Alexander Eagle, *Liberal Studies Science* - San Diego State University

Aimee Eagle, *Liberal Studies/Spanish* - Technologico de Monterrey

Victoria Eldred, *LPN* - Mt. Hood Community College

Kristyn George, *Psychology/Counseling / Religious Studies* - Trevecca Nazarene University

McKenna Gould, *Health Sciences* - Arizona State University

Andrew Guenther, *Finance/Economics* - Eastern Washington University

Carson Harris, *Chemical Engineering* - University of Alaska Anchorage

Carolynne Holbrook, *Biochemistry/ German* - Western Washington University

Jake LaConte, *Communications/Psychology* - University of Missouri - Columbia

Justin Lay, *Architecture* - Oklahoma State University

Emily Lott, *Education* - University of Washington

Colten Mack, *Biology* - University of Alaska Southeast

Natalie Mack, *Biology Science & Psychology* - University of Alaska Anchorage

Mariah McCallum, *Biology* - University of Alaska Southeast

Ashley Mercurief, *Nursing Science* - University of Alaska Anchorage

Casper Mercurief, *Computer Science* - University of Alaska Fairbanks

Gunnar Nelson, *Aviation Maintenance Technology* - University of Alaska Anchorage

Foster Olson, *Biomedical Engineering* - Grand Canyon University

Grace Pedersen, *Languages w/Concentration in French* - University of Alaska Anchorage

Lindsey Philemonof, *Business Mgmt/AK Native Bus Mgmt* - University of Alaska Anchorage

Kendra Robbins, *Electrical Engineering/AK Native Studies* - University of Alaska Anchorage

William Robert, *Environmental Science and Geology* - University of Maine Farmington

Skylar Robison, *Finance/Economics* - Eastern Washington University

Christian Ruiz, *Mechanical Engineering* - Washington State University

Sandra Simons, *Nursing* - University of Alaska Anchorage

Danielle Smith, *Radiology* - Pima Medical Institute

Sarah Stepetin, *Cell & Molecular Biology* - West Chester University

Emma Stewart, *Speech & Hearing Science /Human Development* - Washington State University

Madison Thompson, *Marketing* - Montana State University

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Kianna Uttecht, *Undeclared* - Pierce College

Ryan Wagner, *Psychology/Sociology* - Western Washington University

Alexandria Weis, *Graphic Design* - Fort Hays State University

Megan Weis, *Psychology* - Missouri Western State University

Kameron Werner, *General Transfer DTA* - Lower Columbia College

Kennedy Werner, *Economics/Finance* - Western Washington University

Nicole Whittern, *Kinesiology/Psychology* - Seattle University

# OF THE 2020-2021 SCHOOL YEAR SCHOLARSHIPS:

## ACHIEVEMENT

Ellie Barker, *Psychology/Social Work* - Fort Lewis College

Jeremy Beers, *Information Technology - Networking & Security* - Green River College

Jordan Betschart, *Economics/Computer Information Technology* - University of Oregon

Sarah Dushkin, *Business Administration* - University of Alaska Southeast

Kali's Dyakanoff, *Business* - California State University Channel Islands

Kaylee Gunderson, *Secondary Education* - University of Mississippi

Jade Loftus, *History/Italian* - Northern Arizona University

Kyler Mack, *Exercise Science* - University of Providence

Delanie Maxon, *Business Management* - University of Anchorage Alaska

Bobbie McNeley, *Juris Doctorate/Federal Indian Law* - Mitchell Hamline School of Law

Laurence Mercurief, *Electrical Engineering* - University of Alaska Anchorage

Joyce Jay Mercurief-Barker, *Health Care Admin/Accounting* - California Coast University

Desiree Mobeck, *Social Work/Psychology* - University of Alaska Fairbanks

Olivia Olson, *Political Science/Cultural Studies* - Western Washington University

Gianna Pallotta, *Business* - San Diego Mesa College

Carol Pletnikoff, *Religious Studies/Business &Entrepreneurs* - Oregon State University

Taytum Robinson, *Biology* - University of Hawai'i at Manoa

Devin Roehl, *Undeclared* - University of Alaska Fairbanks

Shayla Shaishnikoff, *Environmental Science* - Western Washington University

Natasha Van Damme, *Anthropology* - University of Washington

## MERIT

Jessica Frantz, *Business Management* - Pensacola Christian College

Karlee Katchatag, *Undeclared* - University of Hawai'i Hilo

Jaycee Mack-Neff, *Power & Technology, Diesel Mechanics* - University of Alaska Southeast

JeVaun Miles, *Construction Management* - University of Alaska Anchorage

Joseph O'Brien, *Exercise Science/Biblical Studies* - Trinity Bible College

## WORKING

Audrey Foster, *Business Administration* - Alaska Pacific University

Leann Mack, *Business Administration* - Alaska Pacific University

Brandy Mercurief, *Information Technology* - University of Alaska Fairbanks

Ashley Powe, *Psychology/Human Services* - University of Alaska Fairbanks

Philip Tuttle, *Petroleum Process Technology* - Bismarck State University

## PART-TIME

Jordan Boyce, *Nursing* - Mendocino Junior College

Natalia Dyakanoff, *Business Administration* - University of Alaska Southeast

Esperidon Floresta, *Criminal Justice* - Otereo Junior College

Jenna Fostyk, *Nursing* - Herzing University

Oxcenia O'Domin, *Business Administration* - Alaska Pacific University

Desirae Mack, *EMBA Strategic Leadership* - Alaska Pacific University

## GRADUATE

Marlee Beers, *Instructional Design* - Western Governors University

Maxwell Beers, *Medicine* - Boston University School of Medicine

Chad Burt, *Health & Physical Education* - Central Washington University

Madison Christiansen, *Business Administration* - Alaska Pacific University

Lisa Dirks, *Information Science* - University of Washington

Stefani Erickson, *English Language Learning* - Western Governors University

Brandy Giordano, *Juris Doctorate Law/Employment Law* - Lincoln Law School of Sacramento

Brianna Gray (Ph.D.), *Industrial Organizational Psychology/Social Diversity Change* - Walden University

Taylor Helmich, *Speech Language Pathology & Psychology* - Maryville University

Kelley Jansen, *Clinical Psychology* - University of Montana

Jordan Jenckes, *Geology* - University of Alaska Anchorage

Jonathan Johannesen, *Elementary Education* - Pacific University

Addison Lutchen, *Spanish Education* - University of Nebraska at Kearney

Michelle McGlashan, *Business Administration / Finance* - Washington State University

Myron Melovidov, Jr., *Mathematics* - Western Governors University

Alexis Mercurief, *Human Development & Family Studies* - Oregon State University

Ginger Miles, *Management* - Wayland Baptist University

Tatiana Moore, *Clinical Psychology* - California Southern University

Clinton Nelson, *Business Administration* - Alaska Pacific University

Christina Newhall, *Linguistics & Anthropology / Native American Languages* - University of Arizona

Paula Pletnikoff, *Geology & Natural Resources* - University of Iceland

Amanda Poe, *Counseling Psychology* - Alaska Pacific University

Zena Robert, *Geosciences* - University of Alaska Fairbanks

Tiera Schroeder, *Clinical-Community Psychology/Indigenous & Rural Emphasis* - University of Alaska Anchorage

Melissa Scott, *Medicine* - University of Tennessee Health Science Center

Samantha Sheehan, *Early Childhood & Special Education* - Boise State University

Madeline Snigaroff, *Linguistics* - University of Chicago

Haliehana Stepetin (Ph.D.), *Native American Studies* - University of California Davis

Bianka Takaoka (Ph.D.), *Philosophy / Ethics* - Cornell University

Elizabeth Zangenberg, *Regenerative Studies* - California State Polytechnic University

## SPRING SCHOLARSHIPS:

The deadline for the 2021 Spring Education Scholarship application is November 30, 2020. The application is currently available online.

## VOCATIONAL SCHOLARSHIPS:

TAF provides funding for vocational training programs. Prospective students can consider standalone courses, certificate/diploma-granting programs, associate degree programs, and apprenticeships. Vocational trainings include but are not limited to: Construction Trades, Manufacturing Sector, Food Service, Accounting and Bookkeeping, Cosmetology and Hair Stylists, Computer and IT Support, Trucking and Transport Industry.

## CAREER DEVELOPMENT:

The Career Development Program includes continuing education units, conferences related to profession, CDL courses, 6-pack license, 40-Hour HAZWOPER Training, HVAC/Boiler, Ironwork, and Welding, Iqyak Apprenticeship, etc. Upon approval, TAF will pay up to \$3,000 per fiscal year for shareholders or descendants to attend these types of trainings. TAF also provides reimbursement for training. After approval of the Career Development Application, TAF will reimburse participants for training already occurred up to two months after completion of training with all supporting documents and receipts.

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**NOVEMBER 30:** TAF Spring Scholarship  
Deadline

**JANUARY 29:** Report Cards due for Cash For  
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