

# THE ALEUTIAN CURRENT



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## LEADERSHIP REPORTS

President & CEO Skoey Vergen introduces new members of the TAC team and recaps the Strategic Planning session, while Board Chair Jenifer Nelson provides updates on Board priorities and initiatives.

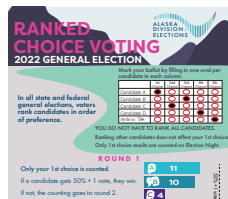
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## CELEBRATING 50

The Aleut Corporation is celebrating 50 years this year! Learn more about the associated planned festivities inside.

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## RANKED CHOICE VOTING

Questions about Ranked Choice Voting? See additional information and guidance that will help you cast your ballot this year.

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## LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Aang Unangan Family,

Coming into 2022, it's fitting that TAC has started a new era, new vision, and new focus on our mission to maximize shareholder dividends and opportunities.

In February, we brought on Cynthia Tisher as our new Chief Financial Officer. She brings with her 20 years of leadership and management experience as well as a deep understanding of Alaska Native corporations and 8(a) programs. You can get to know Cynthia, our new CFO, on page 6 of this newsletter.

We also recently hired a new Director of Operations, Mandy Hawes. Working directly with our Chief Operating Officer, Mandy will be integral in supporting subsidiary operations. To oversee our corporate internal and external messaging, we hired Kate Gilling as our Communications Director in December. It is my belief that to support the kind of growth we want to see for The Aleut Corporation, we need to have the right staff in place. We are pleased to welcome these wonderful additions to the team.

I have used my first few months to evaluate, adjust, and stabilize across our TAC family of companies to align with our core values of transparency, accountability, and building a foundation for growth. Our January Strategic Planning session with the Board defined a tactical growth strategy for the next five years and established a new strategic 10-year revenue and income goal that Chairman Nelson will share with you. We worked alongside

our subsidiaries to map out a path for realistic long-term growth and success.

As our fiscal year closes, I am happy to report that the swift and rigorous changes the Board and TAC management implemented are moving us in a positive direction. We will continue to stabilize in 2022, but with rigor, discipline, and transparency, we are rebuilding our foundation.

The Board approved TAC's recommendation to close our subsidiary Alaska Instrument Company (AIC). This was not an easy decision, but ultimately it was the right decision. AIC was a valuable member of the TAC family, but with Alaska's changing economy, revenue streams had decreased with no path for growth.

I am excited to get back out to the region this summer as your President & CEO. COVID has kept TAC away for too long. My team is planning three separate trips this summer to reach every village. I want to use this time to sit down with and listen to shareholders in each community. More information on travel dates is provided in the TAC @ 50 section of this newsletter; be on the lookout for schedule specifics in the coming weeks.

Wishing you a bright and colorful spring.

Qaġaasakung,

Skoey Vergen  
President & CEO



## BOARD CHAIR REPORT

Dear Shareholders,

With the return of the sun and warming temperatures, we know that spring is here. This is a time for fresh starts and new beginnings, but also a time to honor our past.

The Aleut Corporation is celebrating 50 years. That's 50 years of serving and providing for our shareholders. 50 years of representing the Unangaġ people. This is a monumental achievement for our people and region. While we are looking ahead to our future, it is critical that we also remember how we got here and to chronicle our Elders' stories and history. Our Elders are an essential part of the history-making in 1972 and the years leading up to TAC's creation.

Throughout this historic 50th anniversary year, the staff at TAC will be working with our shareholders from the region, in state, and outside of Alaska to document conversations, stories, photographs, and memories that have brought us to this 50th year. Be on the lookout for opportunities to participate in this special TAC @ 50 project.

Your Board has been hard at work planning for the new fiscal year. In January, we met virtually with TAC management to review the long-term and short-term goals for The Aleut Corporation, its subsidiaries, and the Board. We are happy to share the Board's goal of \$45 million in operating income by 2033.

In March, the Board conducted a hybrid version of our annual budget review and board meeting. As we continue to slowly emerge from pandemic protocol, the Board continues to exercise an abundance of caution, but slowly we are returning to a new normal.

The Board is pleased to announce this year's dividend. For Class A and B shares, the dividend amount will be \$6 per share and paid out on July 7, 2022. The Elders Benefit will be \$1,000 and paid out on October 5, 2022.

I do want to address the lower dividend amount this year compared to last year. The Board felt that in order to support sustainable long-term growth for The Aleut Corporation, we could not continue to pull from the shareholder permanent fund. As we begin to see economic activity return to the state and country, our Corporation will need to invest in the growth of our subsidiaries as well as potential acquisitions.

Your Board of Directors continues to keep our mission of maximizing dividends and opportunities for our shareholders in the forefront of every decision we make. In addition to approving the operating budget, we also approved an expanded Shareholder Development Plan at The Aleut Corporation and a \$1.5 million dollar donation to The Aleut Foundation for FY23. These opportunities will provide long-term benefits for the next generation and the next 50 years.

On behalf of your entire Board of Directors,

Jenifer Nelson  
Chairman of the Board

## 2022 DIVIDEND & DISTRIBUTIONS

The Aleut Corporation Board of Directors is pleased to announce the Dividend and Elders Benefit amounts for 2022.

CLASS A AND B SHARES  
**THIS YEAR'S DIVIDEND WILL BE \$6 PER SHARE**

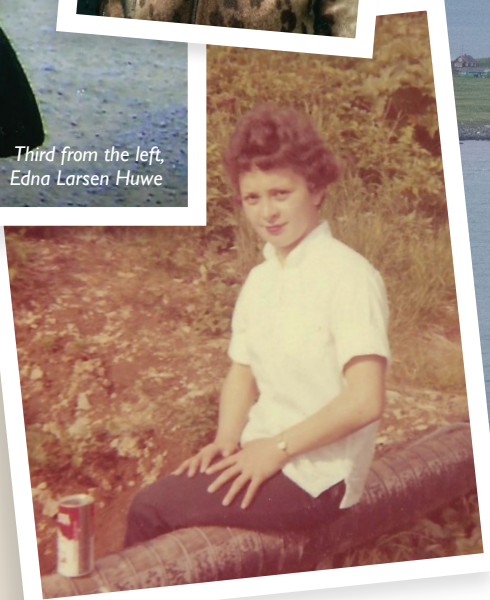
TO BE PAID ON JULY 7, 2022.

ELDERS BENEFIT  
**THE ELDERS BENEFIT WILL BE \$1,000 TO ALL VOTING AND/OR ORIGINAL SHAREHOLDERS WHO ARE 60 YEARS OR OLDER BY MARCH 31, 2022.**

THE ELDERS BENEFIT WILL BE PAID OUT OCTOBER 5, 2022.



Third from the left, Edna Larsen Huwe



## REMEMBERING EDNA LARSEN HUWE

SEPTEMBER 8, 1944 - DECEMBER 10, 2021

Edna Huwe was the sixth of nine children born in King Cove, Alaska, to John and Agnes Tetoff Larsen. She graduated from Mt. Edgecumbe High School in 1962 and moved to Seattle in 1963. She was instrumental in including all Unangax (Aleut) people in the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act in 1971, traveling extensively to Washington D.C., to lobby on the Unangax (Aleut) peoples' behalf. She served on The Aleut Corporation's first Board of Directors and was a founding leader for the Pacific Northwest Aleut Council.

Edna was proud of the culture and community in which she came from, passing down the traditions of her family and village to her children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren and her many nieces and nephews. Edna is loved and missed by her children Julie Murphy (Keith), Joni Wagner (Robert), Karin Ortiz, Nicholas Huwe (Azmaira); her grandchildren Karin Nayler (Graham), Ryan Wagner, Michael Murphy, RJ Ortiz, and Zoey Huwe; and her great-grandchildren Nathaniel, Nolan, and Baby (on the way) Nayler.

Edna is also survived by her sisters Mary Ryan, May Stuteville, Kathryn McKinnon, and Linda Larsen.

In her passing, she joined her beloved husband Ron Huwe, her son John Randy Berg, her parents John and Agnes Tetoff Larsen, siblings Agnes Larsen Darnell, Nicholas Larsen, John Larsen Jr., and Elizabeth Larsen.

The family would like to thank Pastor Janelle Kurtz, Pastor Anne Hayes, and Snohomish United Methodist Church for their love and support.

*Obituary prepared by Edna's daughter, Julie Murphy.*

## BOARD OF DIRECTORS NOMINATING PACKETS ARE AVAILABLE

The Aleut Corporation (TAC) Board of Directors consists of nine members. Three seats are up for re-election at the 2022 Annual Meeting of Shareholders on October 15. In order to hold a position on the Board, you must be a voting shareholder and at least 18 years of age. Each elected director's term of office is three years.

To run for one of the director seats, please call the Corporate office to request a nominee packet or download the packet from MyAleutConnection. The packet requires ten (10) Aleut Corporation voting adult shareholders' signatures as part of the nominating petition. Candidates are not allowed to use The Aleut Corporation logo for any of their campaign materials or ask The Aleut Corporation staff to obtain signatures on the petition. Candidates are also responsible for filing with the State of Alaska Banking and Securities department any campaign letters, fliers, or postings on social media during their campaign for TAC Board of Directors.

*Deadline for nominee submissions is 5 p.m., Alaska time, on Monday, June 13, 2022. Nomination Packets received after the deadline will not be included on the 2022 Aleut Corporation proxy form.*

### INTRO TO OUR VILLAGE CORPORATIONS

# ST. PAUL

**NAME OF CORPORATION:**  
Tanadgusix Corporation (TDX)

**LOCATION:**  
Saint Paul Island, Alaska (with HQ in Anchorage, AK)

**NUMBER OF SHAREHOLDERS:**  
738

**LINES OF BUSINESS:**  
Vertical and Construction; Civil Construction; Electricity Generation (natural gas, diesel, and wind); Electrical Switchgear Manufacturing; Fuel Storage and Resale; Air Combat Training Support; Munitions Recovery Services; Nuclear Waste Disposition; Telecommunications Infrastructure; Cyber Security and Intelligence; Hotels; Airport Parking; Tourism

**WHAT ARE YOUR SHAREHOLDERS MOST PROUD OF?**  
TDX pays shareholder dividends entirely from a nearly \$10 million permanent fund comprised of principal contributions from each year's profit, plus investment earnings. TDX Foundation awards scholarships to shareholders and their descendants who are attending college or training in a trade.

**WHAT MAKES YOUR CORPORATION UNIQUE?**  
TDX is among the largest Alaska Native village corporations, ranking 25th in Alaska Business Monthly's annual Alaska Business Top 49ers for 2021. TDX has a diverse business/

product line, with activities in over six countries and twenty-seven states, and 557 employees (75 of whom are overseas).

**LEADERSHIP:**  
Christopher Mandregan, Jr., CEO  
Larry Cooper, CFO  
Jason Bourdukofsky, COO, Saint Paul Operations  
John Lyons, President, Power Group  
Greg Galik, President, Hospitality Group  
Ken Spedden, (Interim) President, Government Services Group  
(Vacant) President, Construction Group

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS:**  
Beverly Woods, Chair  
Christopher Mandregan, Jr., Vice-Chair  
Rena Kudrin, President  
Connie Bergo, Vice-President  
Silvia Leon-Guerrero, Secretary/Treasurer  
Dixie Petersen, Assistant Secretary/Treasurer  
Hedy M. Christiansen  
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## TAC WELCOMES CYNTHIA TISHER, OUR NEW CFO, TO THE TEAM!

Cynthia Tisher joined The Aleut Corporation in February as Chief Financial Officer. She has over 20 years of experience in corporate finance and accounting, including Alaska Native corporations (ANC) and 8(a) federal contracts. She understands the unique business structure of ANCs and their commitment to shareholders and shareholder development.

Cynthia has held several executive and senior management positions with Alaska Native corporations. Most recently, she was the Chief Financial Officer of Kikiktagruk Inupiat Corporation (KIC), and prior to KIC, she was the Chief Financial Officer of Rural Alaska Community Action Program. She served as chair of the 401(k) Savings Plan and Trust at Bristol Bay Native Corporation (BBNC), as the Treasurer of the BBNC Education Foundation, and currently as a board member of the Food Bank of Alaska.

Cynthia was born and raised in Anchorage. She earned a Bachelor of Business Administration in Accounting and a Master's in Business Administration from the University of Alaska, Anchorage. She is Aleut and a Bristol Bay Native Corporation and Becharof Corporation shareholder. Cynthia loves spending time with her family, fishing in the summer, traveling, reading, and recently, learning to garden.

## BOARD SPOTLIGHT TARA BOURDUKOFSKY

**YEARS OF BOARD SERVICE:** Tara has been a TAC Board of Director since 2002.

**OCCUPATION:** Tara has worked with the Aleutian Pribilof Island Association for 12 years. In 2019, she founded TIXLAX LLC which provides wellness coaching and leadership development services. Tara went on to serve as the Director of Cultural & Educational Service for the Alaska Native Heritage Center. Today, she is freelancing in the Anchorage area.

**COMMITTEES:** Currently the board is acting as Committee of the Whole. Previously, Tara has chaired several committees such as Policy, Budget & Finance, and Shareholder Affairs. She's also served on the Board Policy and Lands, and Resource & Real Estate Committees.

**EDUCATION:** Tara holds a Bachelor of Arts in Psychology from the University of Hawaii at Hilo and a Master of Science in Counseling Psychology from Alaska Pacific University.

### STORY FROM GROWING UP THAT YOU FIRST REMEMBER HEARING ABOUT/TRULY UNDERSTANDING WHAT TAC WAS:

My first vivid conversations about TAC occurred in the 1970's. All my life, my dad, Jason Bourdukofsky Sr., has been a leader in the community of St. Paul Island. As a young person, I recall sitting and listening to several of the leaders from the community of St. Paul discussing things of importance.

These men who met with my father, would arrive at our home and they would visit and, for hours, discuss the current situation of the community. This is when I first heard about The Aleut Corporation, its formation, and the need for my dad to represent the community on its first board of directors.

The next time I really got a clearer understanding of The Aleut Corporation was when I was a freshman in college at the University of Hawaii-Hilo. One day I received a large package in the mail. I wasn't expecting it and therefore was very curious about its content. Upon opening it, I discovered magazines and information about The Aleut Corporation, and it was sent to me by Alice Petrivelli. I couldn't figure out who she was and why she was sending me the information.

18 years later, I was elected to be a director for The Aleut Corporation and Alice, still serving on the board, began to mentor me in her wise ways. Today, I continue to learn and serve as a director for The Aleut Corporation and bring with me many of the sage advice, wisdom, and knowledge of past leaders like Alice as I sit and make decisions around the board room.

### YOUR PERSPECTIVE ON THE IMPORTANCE OF BEING ON THE TAC BOARD AND PROVIDING GUIDANCE FOR TAC'S FUTURE:

TAC's mission is "To maximize dividends and opportunities for our shareholders". The Aleut Corporation is where it is today because of those who came before us. I do my best to keep that in my mind as discussions and decisions around the board room are made. Our Unangan culture, land, resources, and people are at the forefront of these decisions, and I pray that I am always guided in a good way.

In my perspective, knowing and understanding who we are and how we got here is critical to the future. We must never lose sight of the fact that one of the most beautiful

and unique things about ANCSA is that as a for profit corporation we have a social and cultural responsibility to our shareholders and descendants. While we can never totally go back to our traditional ways, knowing and preserving them as a resource for future is key to our survival and being successful as a corporation into the future.

As a board director and as a visionary leader, I am innovative, persistent, willing to take risks, enthusiastic, focused, and willing to listen to others and utilize these qualities to provide guidance to The Aleut Corporation. It means being able to communicate to the rest of my fellow board members the mapped-out plan in my mind that will ensure our Aleut management team has a plan in order and in motion ultimately leading to success in the future.

### YOUR ROLE WITH TAF AND OUTREACH TO STUDENTS AND PREPARING THE NEXT GENERATION OF SHAREHOLDERS:

Building a vision is mission critical in preparing the next generation. The core and foundation of my leadership was instilled in me by my late grandmother and mother, Mary Nicolía Bourdukofsky and Chauncina Marie (Ironwing) Bourdukofsky; they both communicated to me the love of being a lifelong learner and always promoted continuing education.

Just as important is to nurture collaboration and being comfortable with being honest especially where it regards performance. Laying that out hopefully helps to understand why I am such a strong and persistent advocate of growing our own pipeline of next leaders. Whether it is at the board level or as management of TAC and our subsidiaries, it is possible and it is a vision that TAF, through its work with students, will make this possible for the next generation of shareholders and descendants. My responsibility as a director is to ensure the results, and to that end, has meant being personally involved with mentoring many students over the years.

I am a strong and persistent advocate of growing our own pipeline of next leaders.

-Tara Bourdukofsky

# 50 YEARS



The Aleut Corporation is celebrating 50 Years! We are taking a look back at the past 50 years and celebrate the achievements of TAC and the Unanga people.

This time of reflection has also highlighted the need to record our shareholders' stories and memories so we don't lose them. We know being on camera isn't easy, but we need to hear from our shareholders that were alive when TAC was created. We need your help to document our history, so we can keep adding to it for the next 50 years.

The Aleut Corporation will be traveling throughout the region this summer with a videographer and photographer. We would like to sit down and talk with our elders, shareholders, and descendants; hear their stories about the formation of The Aleut Corporation, life growing up, and what they would like to see for the future.

The Aleut Corporation will be reaching out to shareholders requesting their participation in this project. If you'd like to share a story, memory, or photos, please send them to [info@aleutcorp.com](mailto:info@aleutcorp.com).

## TAC SUMMER TRAVEL SCHEDULE

*Dates may change slightly.*

**MAY 29–JUNE 4** Unalaska, Nikolski, Atka, and Akutan

**JULY 16–JULY 23** St. George and St. Paul\*  
\*Travel dependent on current COVID restrictions

**AUGUST 20–AUGUST 27** Sand Point, Nelson Lagoon, False Pass, King Cove, and Cold Bay



*Thank you to Josephine Shangin for sending this adorable photo of her daughter, Emma, berry-picking in Akutan.*

## CALL FOR SHAREHOLDER MEMORIES

In honor of The Aleut Corporation's 50th Anniversary, we are doing a call for shareholder memories. We want to share your stories throughout the year on social media, in newsletters, and in a special TAC 50th Anniversary magazine. Send photos and videos as well as the stories behind them to [info@aleutcorp.com](mailto:info@aleutcorp.com). Be sure to include names, dates, and locations. We will be collecting stories all year long. We have selected 4 themes to help narrow down which stories to share (but let's be honest, we will take them all).



## PHOTO AND VIDEO THEMES

### TRADITIONAL ART IN MOTION

Share your favorite moments of you or a family member practicing

any traditional art form. We want to see you in motion. This can include dancing, painting, crafting, or woodworking. Tell us who taught you and what you love about this form of expression.

### SUBSISTENCE & COMMUNITY

Take us fishing with you. What are some of your favorite moments on a boat (or scariest)? Take us berry-picking. What is your favorite thing to make with all the berries?

### ALEUTS IN THE OUTDOORS

Share your favorite outdoor spots from our beautiful region (preferably with you in them).

### GENERATIONS

It's all about family. Share your favorite family photos that have multiple generations present.

## SHAREHOLDER CALENDAR

### APRIL

TAC & Village Corporation Teleconference

### JUNE 13 - MONDAY

Deadline for Submitting Nominating Petition, 5pm AST  
Board Carryover Questionnaires and Bio Statements  
Deadline, 5pm AST

### JUNE 25 - SATURDAY

Annual Aleut Picnic

### JULY 1 - FRIDAY

Report Cards due for Cash for Good Grades and Attendance

### AUGUST 2 - TUESDAY

Shareholder Award Nominations Deadline

### AUGUST 16 - TUESDAY

Record Date for Annual Meeting of Shareholders

### SEPTEMBER 26 - MONDAY

Early-bird Proxy Prize Deadline, 5pm AST

### SEPTEMBER 27 - TUESDAY

Early-bird Proxy Prize Drawing and Announcement

### OCTOBER 3 - MONDAY

Shareholder Resolutions and Questions Deadline  
2022 A.M. Rules Section III.K.

### OCTOBER 11 - TUESDAY

Proxy Deadline 5pm AST

### OCTOBER 15 - SATURDAY

TAC's 50th Annual Meeting of Shareholders  
& Luncheon – Egan Center *Registration opens at 11:00 am*

### OCTOBER 17-18

Youth and Elders Conference

### OCTOBER 20-22

AFN Convention (Anchorage) - Dena'ina Center

# TAF UPDATE



Aang Aang!

GRADUATION  
REQUEST



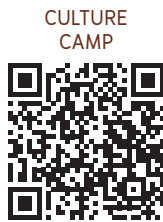
Our students have been hard at work for the 2021-2022 school year, and we couldn't be prouder. Check out TAF's Fall term students and who made the Dean's List. We have also included a list of students that received scholarships for the Winter/Spring terms. For students graduating this spring, make sure to let us know! Check out our Graduation Request page on TAF's website, where students can upload photos and information about their graduation. We enjoy celebrating with our students and their families. We will be placing their stories on Facebook for our greater community to also celebrate.

VOLUNTEER  
FORM



The Aleut Foundation will be hosting the Aleut Picnic on June 25th from 12pm- 3pm at The Aleut Corporation! This event will be catered with burgers, hotdogs, mac and cheese, salads, dessert, and water. Kaladi Brothers have generously donated their community coffee cart, providing 8 oz

coffees to our attendees. We will need some volunteers this year. If you're able to help, please sign up on this online form: [tinyurl.com/AleutPicnic2022](https://tinyurl.com/AleutPicnic2022)



CULTURE  
CAMP

APIA will be hosting a culture camp the week leading up to the Aleut Picnic and we hope to highlight what participants have learned during the picnic. For those interested in attending/traveling to the various culture camps, check out TAF's website for information on how to request funding.

Don't forget, The Aleut Foundation provides many opportunities for tuition and training assistance. For students taking the vocational-technical route, TAF provides up to \$4,000 per fiscal year. We also want to highlight for those who are in current careers where their employers do not provide tuition assistance that The Aleut Foundation provides up to \$3,000 per fiscal year for those seeking a professional certificate or continuing education. Both the vocational and career development applications are available year-round. We have had students go through welding, medical coding, writing certificates, etc. Let us know what you are interested in learning, and we can help you achieve those goals! For our community leaders, we have funds available to provide community trainings and employee development.

This year we started a Student Advisory Committee. We will meet officially twice a year and provide opportunities to connect casually as well as volunteer throughout the year. All students are welcome to join us. Those that are alumni and seniors in high school are also welcome. Email us to find out more.

Be on the lookout for more information on new programs coming from The Aleut Foundation. We are planning to provide information through Facebook, mailings, and email blasts. We are here to help our students, families, and communities

Qagaasakung!

**Julie Toomey**  
Executive Director  
The Aleut Foundation

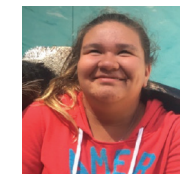
## CASH FOR GOOD GRADE WINNERS

Congratulations to our Cash for Good Grades & Attendance winners for the Fall 2021 semester! Thank you to all of our students who submitted their report cards, The Aleut Corporation is proud of you and your hard work!

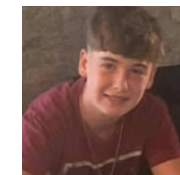
### OUTSTANDING ATTENDANCE



**OUTSTANDING ATTENDANCE:  
ALEUT REGION**  
Peter Calugan, Jr. 7th Grade,  
Sand Point, AK



**OUTSTANDING ATTENDANCE:  
ALASKA**  
Ashley Kushin, 9th Grade,  
Wasilla, AK



**OUTSTANDING ATTENDANCE:  
OUT OF STATE**  
Layton Mack, 9th Grade,  
Pierce City, MO

### GPA 3.5 OR HIGHER



**GPA 3.5+: ALEUT REGION**  
Keeley Dushkin, 9th Grade,  
Sand Point, AK



**GPA 3.5+: ALASKA**  
Kirby Gallagher, 7th Grade,  
Anchorage, AK



**GPA 3.5+: OUT OF STATE**  
Brody Dushkin, 9th Grade,  
Cloquet, MN

## WINTER & SPRING SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

### HONORS

CADE AUSTIN, Computer Science & Engineering - *University of Denver*  
ROSALYN ELGARICO, Business - *Alaska Pacific University*  
DESTINY TETOFF, Criminal Justice - *San Francisco State University*  
SAMANTHA TORRES-TAYLOR, English & Political Science, *University of San Diego*

### EXCEPTIONAL

ADA CAUSEY, Geological Sciences, *University of Alaska Fairbanks*  
CALEB KELLY, Education, *Loyola University Maryland*  
DOUG KRUKOFF, Undecided, *Columbia University*  
JUSTIN LAY, Architecture, *Oklahoma State University*

### ACHIEVEMENT

KASIANA ANDERSON, Diagnostic Medical Sonography, *University of Alaska Anchorage*  
AURORA DUSKIN, Computer Science & Engineering, *Montana State University*  
ALEXIA HOLMBERG, Biological Sciences, *University of Alaska Southeast*  
ALICE JOHNSTON, Allied Health, *University of Alaska Anchorage*  
DOMENIC PALLOTTA, Business, *Arizona State University*  
PHILLIP PLETNIKOFF, Management, *University of Alaska Anchorage*  
HUNTER RILEY, Sustainable Building Science Technology, *South Seattle College*  
RUSSELL SIMMEN, Civil Engineering, *Hocking College*

### MERIT

COLTEN MACK, Biology, *University of Alaska Southeast*  
JAYCEE MACK-NEFF, Mechanical Engineering, *University of Alaska Southeast*  
BREANNA WARNER, Occupational Therapy, *Spokane Falls Community College*

### PART-TIME

ROXANA KASHATOK, Business, *University of Alaska Anchorage*  
KIMBERLY MILES, Criminal Justice, *Wayland Baptist University*  
MITCHELL ORLOFF, Mechanical Engineering, *Montana State University*

EDITH SCHLIEBE, Education, *University of Alaska Fairbanks*  
 DIONNE SHOWERS, Languages, *University of Alaska Anchorage*  
 SERENA WOHLWEND, Project Management, *University of Alaska Anchorage*

## GRADUATE

MARISA MACK, Business, *Western Governors University*  
 SEAN MACK, Geography & Environmental Studies, *Pennsylvania State University*  
 KAYLA MARCOULIER, Nursing, *Gonzaga University*  
 STEPHANIE MYER, Psychology, *Pacifica Graduate Institute*

## WORKING

ASHLEY NASH, Data Analytics, *Western Governors University*

## DEAN'S LIST

JULIEANNE BERIKOFF, Nursing, *Northwest Nazarene University*  
 CAELA BRANDAL, Biology, *SUNY Polytechnic Institute*  
 JOHN CURTIS, Psychology, *Alaska Pacific University*  
 JOHANNES DEBAKKER, Business, *Saint Martin's University*  
 LAUREN DENHAM, Political Science, *Texas Christian University*  
 RACHEL DENHAM, Child Development, *University of Oregon*  
 LISA DIRKS, Information Science, *University of Washington*  
 KYRIE DYAKANOFF, Nursing, *Northern Arizona University*  
 ANNA EMANOFF, Psychology, *Northampton Community College*  
 PEARL FOSTER, Business, *University of Alaska Fairbanks*  
 MICAH FOUTS, Human Services, *John Brown University*  
 BRITTANY GARDNER, Biological Sciences, *University of Alaska Anchorage*  
 SIRI GILLESPIE, Human Sexuality, *Widener University*  
 ANDREW GUENTHER, Finance, *Eastern Washington University*  
 CARSON HARRIS, Mechanical Engineering, *University of Alaska Anchorage*  
 NATASHA HARRIS, Operations & Technology Management, *University of Portland*  
 TAYLOR HELMICH, Speech Pathology, *Maryville University of Saint Louis*  
 KELLEY JANSEN, Psychology, *University of Montana*  
 JULIA JOHANNESSEN, Journalism, *University of Oregon*  
 CARTER JOHNSON, Chemical Engineering, *Arizona State University*  
 MEGAN KASHEVAROF, Psychology, *University of Alaska Anchorage*  
 JEFFERY KAUFFMAN, Economics, *Grand Canyon University*  
 PAMELA KING, Education, *University of Phoenix*  
 RAIETTA KUZAKIN, Nursing, *Whatcom Community College*  
 MIKHAIL LESTENKOF, Civil Engineering, *University of Alaska Anchorage*  
 ADDISON LUTCHEN, Spanish Education, *University of Nebraska at Kearney*

Congratulations to the students who achieved a cumulative GPA of 3.50 or higher at the end of their 2021 Fall term! We admire your achievement, and we are proud of you for working toward your goal!

-The Aleut Foundation Staff

MAXIM MALAVANSKY JR., Political Science, *Northern Virginia Community College*  
 DELANIE MAXON, Business, *University of Alaska Anchorage*  
 MICHELLE MCGLASHAN, Business, *Washington State University*  
 TYLER MCINTIRE, Undeclared, *Fort Lewis College*  
 MIA MCWILLIAMS, Business, *California State University, East Bay*  
 ALEXIS MERCULIEF, Human Development, *Oregon State University*  
 DANIELLE MERCULIEF, Health Education, *Alaska Pacific University*  
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The Museum of the Aleutians' is working on a project Family Mosaics: Reconnecting family histories and genealogies of Unangan People of the Commander Islands and the indigenous people of south-western Alaska, funded through the National Park Service Shared Beringian Heritage Program.

The project goal is to increase knowledge about historic connections and family ties between the people of the Commander Islands and indigenous Alaska communities of the Aleutian Islands and Kodiak archipelago.

The outcome will update existing Commander Island family history datasets with information from US archival sources and family histories, to create an exhibition, interactive elements, online portals for this information and a book with the results of the project.

## HELPING TO GROW OUR OWN

Sasha Bingaman attended the University of Missouri-Kansas City with a passion for art. It all started with coloring books and finger painting. This led to intense independent art classes in high school and left her with a desire to create!

Congratulations Sasha Bingaman! We are proud of your achievement!! – TAF Staff

## FAMILY NAMES

Aksenov (Аксёнов)  
 Anis'ev (Анисьев)  
 Artamonov (Артамонов)  
 Badaev (Бадаев)  
 Berезin (Березин)  
 Budakov (Будаков)  
 Burdukovsky (Бурдуковский)  
 Volokitin (Волокитин)  
 Galkin (Галкин)  
 Golodov (Голодов)  
 Grigiriev (Григорьев)  
 Durishin (Дуришин)  
 Eransky (Еранский)  
 Zaikov (Зайков)  
 Ivanov (Иванов)  
 Izmailov (Измайлов)  
 Kadin (Кадин)  
 Katynchak (Катынчак)  
 Kaurov (Кауров)  
 Kichin (Кичин)  
 Klimov (Климов)  
 Kontuyak=Seleznev (Контуйак = Селезнёв)  
 Korsakovsky (Корсаковский)  
 Kulikalov = Ishku, Iskuk (Куликалов = Ишку, Искух)  
 Ladygin (Ладыгин)  
 Lambert (Ламберт)  
 Losev (Лосев)  
 Maltsev (Мальцев)  
 Mershenin (Мершенин)  
 Myakushev (Мякишев)  
 Nevzegov (Невзоров)  
 Nikolaev (Николаев)  
 Nozhikov/ Nozikov (Ножиков/ Нозиков),  
 Olgin (Ольгин)  
 Pankov (Паньков)

Pakhomov (Пахомов)  
 Pesenkov (Песенков)  
 Popov (Попов)  
 Proshv (Прошев)  
 Rogen/Rogan (Роген/Роган)  
 Svin'sinsky (Свиньинский)  
 Sinitzin (Синицын)  
 Snegirev (Снегирёв)  
 Startsev (Старцев)  
 Stepnov (Степнов)  
 Stepanov (Степанов)  
 Sushnov (Сушков)  
 Terentiev (Терентьев)  
 Udachin (Kamchadal family) (Удачин)  
 Khabarov (Хабаров)  
 Khoroshev (Хорошев)  
 Khudyakov (Худяков)  
 Shadrov (Шадров)  
 Shangin = Razhuk (Шангин = Пажук)  
 Shipitsyn (Шипицын)  
 Yuriev (Юрьев)  
 Yakovlev (Яковлев)

If you're a member of one of these families or know about any of these names, please email the Museum at [education@aleutians.org](mailto:education@aleutians.org) or call at 907-581-5150 (ask for Thomas or Virginia).

### FAMILY MOSAICS



Or if you prefer, fill out the form at the bottom of the webpage: [www.aleutians.org/family](http://www.aleutians.org/family)

"Dear Aleut Foundation,  
 I'm proud to say that in December 2017, I earned my Bachelor of Arts in Studio Arts with an emphasis in Photography and Graphic Design from the University of Missouri-Kansas City. This was a huge goal for me, and I could not have done it without your support. So, Thank You! I am very excited to see what opportunities will come my way!

Sincerely,  
 Sasha Bingaman"

# RANKED CHOICE VOTING

## 2022 GENERAL ELECTION



Mark your ballot by filling in one oval per candidate in each column.

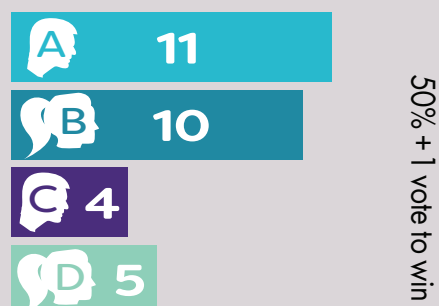
	1st Choice	2nd Choice	3rd Choice	4th Choice	5th Choice
Candidate A	●	○	○	○	○
Candidate B	○	○	●	○	○
Candidate C	○	●	○	○	○
Candidate D	○	○	○	●	○
Write In: Tom	○	○	○	○	●

In all state and federal general elections, voters rank candidates in order of preference.

YOU DO NOT HAVE TO RANK ALL CANDIDATES.  
Ranking other candidates does not affect your 1st choice.  
Only 1st choice results are counted on Election Night.

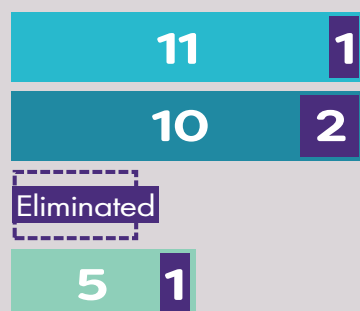
### ROUND 1

Only your 1st choice is counted.  
If a candidate gets 50% + 1 vote, they win.  
If not, the counting goes to round 2.



### ROUND 2

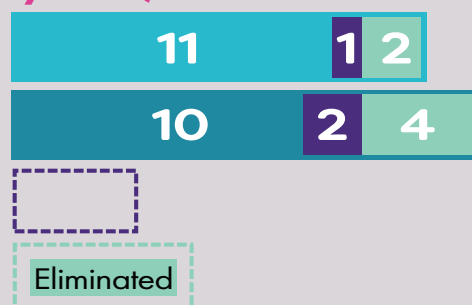
Candidate with the fewest votes gets eliminated.  
If you voted for that candidate, your vote goes to your next choice and you still have a say in who wins.  
If more than two candidates are left, counting continues.



### ROUND 3 (and beyond)

If two candidates are left, the candidate with the most votes wins.

**B**  
wins with 16



Learn more at [www.elections.alaska.gov](http://www.elections.alaska.gov)

# RANKED CHOICE VOTING METHOD

The State of Alaska is implementing Ranked Choice Voting (RCV) in the November General Election and the Top Four Primary system for the Primary Election in August. Please view [www.elections.alaska.gov.RCV](http://www.elections.alaska.gov.RCV) for more detailed information and educational content regarding the implementation of RCV and the Top Four Primary.

In addition to RCV being implemented in the November and August elections, the state will conduct a Special Primary and General Election to fill the late Don Young's seat in the House of Representatives.

## HOW RCV ELECTIONS DIFFER FROM PAST YEARS

1. A candidate must get a majority of votes (50% plus 1) in order to be declared the winner, as opposed to the winner being whoever got the most votes.
2. Voters rank candidates in order of preference instead of only choosing one candidate (1st choice, 2nd, etc.). **By ranking multiple candidates, you still have a say in who wins even if your top choice does not win.** *If you prefer, you can still vote for just one candidate.*
3. Ballots are counted in rounds until a candidate gets a majority (50% plus 1) of the votes and wins.

## HOW TOP FOUR PRIMARY ELECTIONS DIFFER FROM PAST YEARS

1. There is only one ballot, and every voter will use that one regardless of party affiliation
2. All candidates will be on the primary ballot regardless of party affiliation
3. Voters can vote for any candidate regardless of party affiliation
4. The top four candidates that receive the most votes in each race, regardless of party affiliation, will advance to the general election

# IMPORTANT VOTING DATES

**JUNE 1<sup>ST</sup> 2022** *Primary & General Election*  
Candidate filing deadline for all candidates

**JULY 17<sup>TH</sup> 2022** *Primary Election*  
Deadline for voters to register to vote or update their registration

**AUGUST 1<sup>ST</sup> 2022** *Primary Election*  
Absentee in-person, Early Vote, electronic transmission, and Special Needs voting begins

**AUGUST 6<sup>TH</sup> 2022** *Primary Election*  
Candidate filing deadline for all candidates

**AUGUST 15<sup>TH</sup> 2022** *Primary Election*  
Deadline to receive absentee by-mail applications

**AUGUST 16<sup>TH</sup> 2022** *Primary Election*  
Primary Election Day. Polls open from 7 a.m. – 8 p.m.

**SEPTEMBER 5<sup>TH</sup> 2022** *General Election*  
Withdrawal deadline for candidates

**OCTOBER 9<sup>TH</sup> 2022** *General Election*  
Deadline for voters to register to vote or update their voter registration

**OCTOBER 24<sup>TH</sup> 2022** *General Election*  
Absentee in-person, Early Vote, electronic transmission and Special Needs voting begins

**OCTOBER 29<sup>TH</sup> 2022** *General Election*  
Deadline to receive absentee by-mail applications

**NOVEMBER 7<sup>TH</sup> 2022** *General Election*  
Deadline to receive absentee by electronic transmission ballot applications

**NOVEMBER 8<sup>TH</sup> 2022** *General Election*  
*General Election Day. Polls open from 7 a.m. – 8 p.m.*



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- JUN 13:** Deadline for Submitting Nominating Petition
- JUL 1:** Report Cards Due for Cash for Good Grades and Attendance
- AUG 2:** Shareholder Award Nominations Deadline
- SEP 26:** Early-bird Proxy Prize Deadline
- OCT 3:** Shareholder Resolution and Questions Deadline
- OCT 11:** Proxy Deadline

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