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GETTING READY FOR THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE HAIDA CORPORATION

The Haida Corporation's Annual Meeting will convene in Hydaburg's ANB Hall at 11 a.m. on Saturday, Dec. 7. Two Board of Director members will be elected. And Haida Corporation President Toni Bitonti, who is not seeking re-election, will conclude her term.

"I ran for the Board of Directors to make a difference for our corporation, and in this last year we have made a difference, putting in place decision that will benefit our shareholders for decades," Bitonti said.

Haida Corporation Shareholders who hold Class A Common Stock will be able to vote in person at the meeting or can submit their vote by proxies. Proxy documents and envelopes were mailed to shareholders in the first of November.

In this election the Haida Corporation will require ALL proxies to be submitted in sealed, signed envelopes, which were provided by the Inspector of Elections. Proxies that are not signed by the voter will not be accepted.

Three candidates submitted their nomination forms before the deadline. They are Adrian LeCornu, James Patrick Lockhart, Jr., and Helene R. Simpson.

- Adrian LeCornu has served on the board of directors since 2007 and over the last five years he worked as Vice President of the Alaska Federation of Natives
- James Patrick Lockhart, Jr., has business experience that includes working for the Tlingit-Haida Regional Housing Authority and for the Hydaburg Cooperative Association as head carpenter
- Helene R. Simpson has business experience that includes working for the Ketchikan Indian Center and serving as the treasurer for the Ketchikan chapter of the Central Council of Tlingit and Haida



HAIDA CORPORATION 2013 ANNUAL MEETING & ELECTION

All shareholders of Haida Corporation are invited to the Annual Meeting of Shareholders.

- It will be held on Saturday, December 7, 2013 at 11:00 a.m. at the A.N.B. Hall in Hydaburg, Alaska.
- At the meeting shareholders will elect two members of the Board of Directors whose terms shall expire at the annual meeting in 2016.
- Shareholders may submit a proxy (signed by the shareholder) by mail or in person before 5 p.m. Dec. 5, 2013. Submit proxies to:
 - Haida Corporation,
89 Cedar Street
Hydaburg, AK 99922
 - Haida Corporation
c/o Joseph Wilcynshi,
Inspector of Elections,
601 Union Street, Suite 2300
Seattle, WA, 98101

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NEW GENERAL MANAGER IS HAIDA CORPORATION SHAREHOLDER

During the quarterly meeting, in Ketchikan, Alaska in September, Doreen Witwer was contracted by Haida Corporation to serve as the part-time general manager. Doreen is a life-long resident of Hydaburg and an original shareholder. Her mother and father are Gloria (Natkong) and Gideon Duncan. Her maternal grandparents Clara and Harris Natkong raised Doreen and her siblings after their mother died. She is of the Haida Eagle/Frog Moiety. She was married to Elroy Edenshaw for thirty one years when he passed. They have two sons, Leroy and Darren. Doreen is a proud Haida grandmother and involved in promoting the Haida culture for our future generations. Doreen married Daniel Witwer in 2001.

Doreen continues her work as tribal administrator for the Hydaburg Cooperative Association (“Tribe”), where she started in 2004. She said, “I worked to turn the tide around from a Tribe standing still to one which is now moving forward.”

Almost a decade since, the tribe is now a multi-million dollar operation that works with all the entities in town and has clean audits consistently, said Toni Bitonti, President of Haida Corporation. Doreen is involved in efficiently and effectively managing staff and managing the key projects of the Tribe. Those projects include a multi-million dollar road project, registering the Hydaburg Totem Park on the National Register of Historic Places, promoting and successfully obtained funds to replicate the entire Hydaburg Totem Park and recently working with the City of Hydaburg to jointly complete the new dock project with local hire.

Doreen is now also helping Haida Corporation with her ability to respond and correct our serious audit findings.” Chairman Vincent Jameson said.

Doreen’s financial experience and audit expertise come from working for the Hydaburg City School District for nearly thirty years as administrative assistant, bookkeeper and business manager.

“Her ability to successfully restructure and build the organizations she works for is proven and Haida Corporation is proud to hire our first female general manager, and she is also a tribal member and a shareholder of the Haida Corporation,” said Haida Corporation Treasurer Lisa Lang.

HAIDA CORPORATION SHIRTS MAKE NICE GIFTS



Grey T-Shirts.....\$25.00
Sweatshirts.....\$35.00
Joggers.....\$30.00
Colors are black, white, dark grey and grey.

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THE UNITED FRONT: AN UPDATE FROM HYDABURG

The United Front is an ad hoc coalition in Hydaburg, Alaska that exists to promote the mutual concerns for land use planning and economic development, and to share information among the member entities.

The coalition is made up of the Haida Corporation, the City of Hydaburg, the Hydaburg Cooperative Association and the XKKF (Xaadaas Kil Kuyaas Foundation). Each assigns two members to participate in the United Front. Also in attendance at the meetings are the Hydaburg City Schools, the Boys and Girls Club and Community Connections.



Recently, a sub-committee was formed called the “United Front Youth and Culture Committee” because of the overwhelming need and concern to focus on culture as a key to success in our community. The committee coordinated Hydaburg’s Birthday Celebration on November 27, 2013. And it is planning A Haida Christmas Program at the Hydaburg City Schools on December 16, 2013, which will be a potlatch for the community. Donations for gifting our school children are welcome. The activities of the United Front include:

- Revising the Overall Economic Development Plan for 2015-2025
- Developing a Collaborative Land Use Plan
- Constructing a Naa Iwaans or a Haida Big House in 2014
- Expanding cultural tourism, which is central to Haida Corporations 2014 Strategic Plan

SHAREHOLDER RETURNED MAIL

To update an address and other contact information, please contact the Haida Corporation.

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| 1. John G. Oneil | 16. Garrick D. Morrison |
| 2. Fredrick G. Haldane | 17. Destiny D Charles |
| 3. Jonathan G. Welty | 18. Cynthia R. Johnson |
| 4. Norman A. Olson | 19. Cynthia A. Kadow |
| 5. Michael P. George | 20. Michael P. Wallace |
| 6. Leif E. Edwardsen | 21. Patricia C. Lockhart |
| 7. Robert A. Skultka | 22. Rebecca J. Nelson |
| 8. Constance V. Cox | 23. Christine L. Kennedy |
| 9. Marcus C. Nathan | 24. Randall Harold Dilts |
| 10. Susan Lee Pickrell | 25. Steven E. Dilts Jr. |
| 11. Wallace F. Scott | 26. Lloyd M. Yeltatzie |
| 12. Chris Thompson | 27. Samantha L. Yeltatzie |
| 13. Mark P. Elie | 28. Stephanie V. Ravana |
| 14. Mellissa Davis | 29. Shawna L. Kradenpoth |
| 15. James Garner | 30. Sandra A. Williams |

DIRECTOR ATTENDANCE AT THE FIRST THREE QUARTERLY MEETINGS IN 2013

Three quarterly meetings of the Haida Corporation had occurred as this newsletter went to print. Attendance at the quarterly meetings of the Board of Directors is the minimal requirement of Directors.

Chairman Vincent Jameson:	3
President Toni Bitonti:	3
Director Mathew Carle, Sr.:	0
Director Alvin Edenshaw, Jr.:	3
Director Doug Edenshaw:	3
Director Lisa Lang:	3
Director Adrian LeCornu:	3



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THE SETTLEMENT TRUST: A POWERFUL TOOL FOR HC'S FUTURE

The Haida Corporation in its 2013 Strategic Action Plan prioritized the Haida Corporation's Settlement Trust as a potential generator of shareholder dividends for generations to come.

While the Haida Corporation in the past has been able to pay dividends out of its timber sales, the timber holdings of the corporation are diminished.

The Settlement Trust and the interest generated upon the money invested in it, can over time provide a consistent source of payments to shareholders.

What is a Settlement Trust?

A Settlement Trust is a trust organized under the provisions of the Alaska Native Claim Settlement Act (ANCSA) and Alaska law to provide certain benefits to the shareholders of a specific Native corporation.

What would have to happen?

The Haida Corporation Board of Directors would invest more dollars in the Trust, and the Corporation would leave the interest payments generated stay in the Trust for about a year. By the end of two years, the Trust is expected to reach a sum that it could produce a consistent dividend for shareholders for

generations to come.

Who manages the Trust?

The Haida Corporation's Settlement Trust and Elders Trust are managed by TIAA CREF, a not-for-profit investment corporation. Paul Arrington, an original shareholder, is Haida Corporation's Wealth Management Advisor.

Who oversees the Trust?

The Haida Corporation Board also services as the Settlement Trust Trustees. In January, 2014, the Settlement Trust Trustees are planning their next meeting.