Dear Shareholders:
The spring started out as a happy moment for many Gana-A’Yoo shareholders. Seniors around Alaska received their high school diplomas and many college graduates and/or technical school students finished their respective programs to earn degrees and certificates. Congratulations to all on their successful endeavors.

The annual spring events were similar to years past: there were many graduation dinners, the trees turned green and the Yukon River ice broke up which occurs days after the Nenana ice goes out. However, this year’s spring breakup brought many shareholders normal routines to a screeching halt as an ice jam changed the lives of many. The community of Galena had the wrath of Mother Nature deliver the utmost atrocious disaster in May when the Yukon River overflowed the banks and flooded a majority of the community. The ice jam down river at Bishop Rock held for days on end while the residents prayed for the safety of all. Since then, the past few months were overwhelming for the Gana-A’Yoo villages and shareholders alike as they banded together to support the residents of Galena rebuild and repair the community.

The tenacious spirit of the Athabascan people was evident as the surrounding communities came to aid Galena. Within hours of the water dropping, boats and planes arrived with food and volunteers, donations, and individuals determined to help each other. The Athabascan people have survived for hundreds of years in this region and will continue to do so with positive determination, team work and generous support of each other. At this time, I would like to commend the leadership of Gana-A’Yoo and staff for jumping right in to assist the community as a whole. The management team led the start of rebuilding Galena and streamlined the resources to start the cleanup/demolition and construction of its repairs.

The overwhelming support from across Alaska was incredible, the interior of Alaska banded together to support Galena. So many amazing organizations gave time and money to aid the residents. The community has a long road ahead and many people will continue to rebuild as the winter season is upon us, but the resiliency of the residents is strong and unwavering just like the heroic efforts to save Galena.

Best wishes to all the Fall hunters, may you have a safe and prosperous season to fill your freezers for the winter.

Thank You,
Shirley Cleaver, Director

Mark Your Calendar
10/22/13, 6:00 pm
Shareholder Reception
Alpine Lodge in Fairbanks
10/22/13 9-2 am
Board Meeting
Alpine Lodge in Fairbanks
Congratulations
Door Prize & Early Bird Winner: Thank you for participating and making the 2013 Annual Shareholder Meeting in Koyukuk and the Shareholder Informational Meetings in the other villages a success. We enjoy the annual gatherings and look forward to seeing you again in Galena.

Shareholder Informational Meeting $50:
- Kaltag: Evan Walton, Thomas F Ambrose Jr., Clifford Semaken
- Galena: Susan Langsdorf, Karin Badony, James Kaiser, Tamera Huntington

Annual Meeting Prize Winners:
- Early Bird Prize Winners:
  - $100 Duane L. Sipary, Elaine M. Settle, Freda A. Andre, Eleonor Laughlin, and Janice M. Woods
  - $1000 Lilly M. Evans
- Cash Prize
  - $100 Albertha Sommar, Julia A. Dixon
  - $250 Erik J. Demoski, and Franklin Madros, Jr.
  - $1500 Drew Olsen

4th Annual Stock Will Drive a Success:
Thanks to all shareholders for submitting a completed stock will. All those who had a stock will from 2006 to date were eligible for the $250 Stock Will Drawing. Our 2013 winner was Joseph Lee Dentler of Kaltag. Thank you again and please keep your eyes peeled for future stock will drives.
If you have any questions, please contact: Crystal Sommer at 1-888-656-1606 or print a stock will form or access other shareholder forms at www.ganaayoo.com.

Yukon Koyukuk Elder Assisted Living Facility (YKEALF)
y by Agnes Sweetsir, YKEALF Manager

The YK Elders's Facility has re-opened. We welcomed some of our residents back home on September 1, 2013 and by October 1, 2013 we expect to be full. They are happy to be back in their own space. We want to extend our deepest gratitude to Morgan Evans, Alaska Commercial Construction for continuing to do the repairs despite the problems we are having to pay him. Yes, I am still struggling to get money and waiting on the appeal with the Federal Emergency Management Agency. We are missing employees who moved on. A big thank you to: Nicole Bifelt, Harriett Carlo, Elaine Settle, and Autumn Captain who did not return. We are pleased to welcome new employees: Cora Madros, Monica Alexie, Sheila Walton and Katherine Dozette to the family. We have received so much support and help. Thank you to the families at St. Rapheals who outfitted each of our rooms with new linens and the quilting group from First Assembly of God in Fairbanks for the quilts. Thank you to Micky, Ellie, and Dee for the fish; Kelsey for the blueberries; and our friends for the moose that magically appeared. Thank you to Alaska Rural Initiatives for all the kitchen supplies. The list is endless. The coffee is always on and visitors are always welcome. Stop by YKEALF. If you’re passing through and have some time, give us a call, we may be able to pick you up.

If you would like to volunteer or donate in any way, please contact: Agnes Sweetsir 656-1245 or a_sweetsir@yahoo.com.

Gana-A’Yoo Foundation Board Seat Open
If you are interested in serving on the Gana-A’Yoo Foundation Board of Directors there is 1 seat open. The current board members & term consists of:
- Larissa Sommer; Galena; term ends 10/2013
- Erica Frankson; Galena; term ends 10/2014
- Anne Esmailka; Kaltag; term ends 10/2015

The Foundation’s Annual membership meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, October 22, 2013 in Fairbanks at the Alpine Lodge from 12-1 pm. The deadline for candidates to turn in their information is October 18, 2013.

Qualifications:
1) Be a shareholder of Gana-A’Yoo, Limited
2) Be 18 years of age or older

Submit your resume and letter of intent to Crystal Sommer:
Fax: 907-569-9699
E-mail: csommer@ganaayoo.com

Please note: Under federal laws governing private foundations, family members of Gana-A’Yoo Foundation board members are not eligible to receive a Foundation scholarship during their term on the board. Current scholarship recipients are also not eligible to serve on the board.

Date to Remember: Foundation Board Recruitment Closes 10/18/13.
As every June approaches, we gather in one of our four villages for the Gana-A’Yoo Annual Shareholder Meeting. This year was different, due to the unforeseen flooding that occurred in our host community of Galena. The meeting was postponed to a later date and a different location. As our people have done many times before, we came together in times of need. As Galena continues to recover, we have seen an overwhelming outpouring of support for our people. There was one day when the community of Koyukuk took a whole day off from their activities to help in building Galena. There have been other examples, but as Galena restores their infrastructure they still require our help. The YKEALF as it is currently open, still needs monetary help in getting back on their feet and could especially use traditional foods to feed our elders for the winter.

A special thanks to the community of Koyukuk for taking us in for the annual meeting for short notice. After the meeting in Koyukuk we held shareholder informational meetings in Galena and Kaltag. We will have one in Nulato in the near future. During this time, the Management Team presented the reports for the fiscal year. This gave an opportunity for all the shareholders to hear the same report and ask questions.

The highlight of the shareholder informational meeting held in Galena was having the pleasure of Joyelyn Sommer as our student of year. Joyelyn is a tribal member of Galena and the daughter of Albertha and Chris Sommer, and the granddaughter of shareholder, Laura Pitka and the late Edward Pitka, Sr.; and the late Maudrey; and the late Henry Sommer. Joyelyn graduated from Sidney Huntington High School in 2006 as the valedictorian and graduated from the University of Alaska Anchorage this past May with a double major in business management and marketing. Joyelyn enjoys being with family and friends, along with beading, traveling, and spending time in the great outdoors.

At each Annual Shareholders Meeting, we have made it a tradition to recognize and honor our eldest elders. Congratulations to William Dayton, Ida Hildebrand, and Ragine Pilot who were re-elected. We’d like to thank all who ran for the board and ask that you consider running for future elections or committee assignments.

We look forward to seeing everyone next year at the 2014 Annual Shareholder Meeting in Galena.
**GANA-A’YOO FOUNDATION**

*Yuhte’sen’ Maasee’ Ts’oodnee*

**WE ARE THANKFUL TO ALL OF YOU**

**Charity Walk Fundraiser:** The events planned in Anchorage and Fairbanks were a great success and we’d like to recognize the following participants and contributors to the foundation in the 2013 Charity Walk.

### Donations to the Foundation:
Vanessa Vongphrachanh, Blonca Tugatuk, Denise LaFever, Rita Arias, Cheryl Lipps, Ronald Lange, Eliza Jones, Compass Group Canada, and Betty Huntington.

### Participants in Anchorage:

### Participants in Fairbanks:
Anna Huntington-Kriska, Glaccia Jackson, Larissa Sommer, Jeffrey Cramer, Stephanie Watson, Kathleen Meckel, Heather Gutierrez, Chris Gutierrez, Jase Gutierrez, Jaiden Gutierrez, Jared Marth, and Tandi Marth.

The Foundation would like to recognize all who made contributions this quarter. It is because of your generosity that we are able to have a successful program and awarded 30 students scholarships for this school year. If you would like to make a donation please contact 1-888-656-1606.

### Scholarships Awarded:
The Gana-A’yoo Foundation scholarship committee includes board members: Anne Esmailka, Erica Frankson, Larissa Sommer, and Hazel Lolnitz of Koyukuk. The group met in August 2013 and made the following awards:

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| Short Term Scholarships:                   |       |
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| Dioola Erickson, Galena                    |       |
| Kathleen Brasket, Anchorage                |       |
| Kayla Ridderbush, Valdez                   |       |
| Rachel Kokrine, North Pole                 |       |
| Stevie Erickson, Fairbanks                 |       |
| Loretta Lolnitz, Fairbanks                 |       |
| Katherine Quirk, Fairbanks                 |       |
| Jason B. Paskvan, Fairbanks                |       |
| Daphne Williams, Nulato                    |       |

### Competitive Recipients:

| Masters/Graduate $3500:                    |       |
| Stephanie Ashcraft, UAF, “Being a part of strengthening communities has been a fulfilling experience and I seek to be the best I can be so I can help a greater number of people.” Her mom is Vaun Reitan; grandparents are Annie and Franklin “Kaki” Dayton, Sr. |       |
| Felicia Cooper, University of Phoenix, “Although I do the best I could by helping the community, I also wish there was more that I can do to help people with legal matters, and hopefully someday I am able to.” Her parents are Ricky Esmaikla and Christine Cooper; grandparents Jean and Claude Keogh. |       |

| Junior/Senior $3000:                      |       |
| Nicole Fennimore, Boise State University, “My hopes for the future are that I can get people to see that culture is not something that should be isolated and hidden away...something so unique and beautiful should be shared and spread…” Her parents are Carrie & Bruce Fennimore; grandparents are Jenny & Dave Pelkola. |       |

| Freshman/Soph. $2500:                     |       |
| Kathrin Huntington, UAA Sophomore, “I plan to move back home, show my son my culture and contribute to the village that raised me.” Her parents are Margaret & Gilbert Huntington; grandparents are Annie & the late Roger Dayton, Angela & Sidney Huntington. |       |
| Jolene Lestenkof, Alaska Career College, “My goal in this career is to land a lifelong career. I’m really determined to find a lifelong career.” Her parents are Vera and the late Dimitri Lestenkof; grandparents are Ethel and the late Ernie Esmaikla, Sr. |       |

| University Senior, “I know I will always remain true to my heritage even after I am a successful air traffic controller.” Her parents are Shirley & Harold Huntington, Sr. & grandmother the late Jennie Huntington. |       |

| Sharon Hildebrand, UAF Senior, “…I believe that this educational process will provide a better platform from which we as Native Americans can utilize the western standards for not only our best interests but for all.” Sharon is the daughter of Jay and the late Freda Schrock; grandparents are the late Ellen and Aloysius Peters. |       |
Scholarships Essay Spotlight

Each year the Gana-A’Yoo Foundation scholarship committee selects a student essay to spotlight. This essay was submitted by Raymond Kangas as part of his 2013 scholarship application:

My name is Raymond Kangas, I am originally from village of Ruby, Alaska. I moved to Fairbanks when I was the age of three. Going to school here in Fairbanks has exposed me to an encouraging atmosphere about going to college after high school. While taking a couple engineering courses offered at my high school, I decided to become a mechanical engineer when I was a junior. I am now going into my junior year of college this fall and I have not second guessed my career choice yet.

Before starting college I had no idea on what I wanted to do as a mechanical engineer, but earning a degree in it was reward enough to keep me motivated. I only decided I want to get a job in the oil industry the summer after my freshman year when I got an internship with the Alyeska Pipeline Service Company. I had my eyes opened to what the industry provides for the state:jobs, and revenue while supplying the nation’s energy demands. All of the pieces of the puzzle came together for what I want to do after I earn my degree, I want a good paying career in the oil industry that allows me to live here in Alaska.

My first year I struggled a little trying to adapt to a college routine being a full-time student. As four semesters passed though I found that my life revolved around school and it did not take much effort for me to keep up my weekly routines of school work. I do not have a doubt in my mind that I will get my degree, it should take me around five to six more semesters until I get it, only because I want to take more classes and get my minor in mathematics.

This past year I joined the Alaskan Native Science and Engineering Program chapter at the University of Alaska Fairbanks, and American Indian Science and Engineering Society (AISES) chapter as well. I showed up for every meeting, and saw how it’s a great program for helping poor college students by feeding them lunch and presenting good opportunities of scholarships, internships, and presentations. To put myself more up to my potential I volunteered tutoring once a week in science, math, and engineering subjects last fall for AISES, and then twice a week in the spring. For the students coming in for help I found it was a good experience for solving problems while reaching out to others in my community.

I am looking forward to going back to being a full-time student next fall. I got all of my science courses out of the way, now it’s just math and engineering courses to do, other than some core requirements. I will be taking 16 credits, which is the most I ever attempted to take in a semester, but some of these courses really peak my interest. However information is not free, and my semester fees have been increasing since I am moving up to higher level courses, and any contribution to my education is greatly appreciated, thank you for your consideration.

Massee’ to Gana-A’Yoo For Your Support

We received two thank you letters from our community for sponsorship in activities and both involved sports. We commend everyone for living a healthy active lifestyle. The photo to the left is from the softball team called Forever Wildcats and the photo to the right is a thank you note from the Galena Shootout held in Galena this past Spring. Thank you for your sharing and look forward to hearing more.
Condolesences  Our most sincere condolences to the family & friends of:

Geraldine Semaken, 52 is survived by her children Clifford Semaken and Natalie Sam. Geraldine was preceded in death by her parents Burke and Edith Semaken. Geraldine was a shareholder with Kaltag class stock.

Lee Roy Sommer, 58 is survived by his mother Dorothy and his children Shannon Kashevarof, Shelley Block, Travis Sommer, Sharity Sommer, and Nathan Ekada. Leroy was preceded in death by his father Fred Sommer, Sr. Leroy was a shareholder with Nulato class stock.

Where Are You?
Current addresses are needed for these shareholders. If you have any information regarding the whereabouts or how we may contact any of them, please call our office.

- Natlia N. Baker
- Lisa Bismark
- Vienna L. Boe
- Kay M. Carlo
- Christopher C. Chase
- Janet Cline
- Kelley C. Cline
- Andrew Dayton
- Earl J. Dutchman
- Victor W. George II
- Tara Gillen
- Vance S. Gregory
- Hobart Huffman
- Juliet Huffman
- Kevelina Huffman
- Lynette Huffman
- Tolovana Huffman
- Tortella J. Huffman
- Patrick H. Kennedy
- Frances Kriska
- Raymond W. Langton
- Ronald A. Larrabee
- Julie McCoy
- Simeon P. Mountain, Jr.
- Laura M. Mulachy
- Jordan L. Neglaska
- Jamie L. Nollner
- Jason Nollner
- Marian M. Owens
- Starina L. Pietz
- Ashley R. Stickman
- Roy Stickman
- Elsie M. Thurmond
- Franklin D. Thurmond
- Karren L. Upcraft