

Ata ... uvva ... from the IRC Board!

Happy Spring! How quickly the short dark days of winter have become longer, particularly with Daylight Saving Time. Be sure to make time for the many activities in the jamborees. Don't forget that Easter is late this year! Hope you enjoy reading the *IRC Board Summary* which is mailed to beneficiaries following every IRC Board meeting.

IRC Board and Meetings

The members of the 2011 Board are as follows:

Nellie Cournoyea	Chair
Duane Smith	Vice-Chair
Colin Okheena	Secretary/Treasurer
Dennis Arey	Director
John Lucas Jr.	Director
Lawrence Ruben	Director
Vince Teddy	Director

January 25 celebrated the successful completion of the environmental remediation project at Stokes Point (BAR-B) in Ivvavik National Park. Lots of people enjoyed the evening!

- ◆ The IRC Native Hockey Tournament February 17 to 20 saw 14 teams from Aklavik, Fort McPherson, Inuvik, Paulatuk and Tuk. Congratulations to Inuvik's Northwind for their win over Tuk's E. Gruben's Transport in the "A" Division and Inuvik's Midgets over Fort McPherson's LJ's Sabres in the "B" Division.
- ◆ Culture Week was held in Ulukhaktok February 25 to March 3. Although there were weather delays, the community enjoyed the *Culture on Camera* workshop, *Iglu Building Project* and a community feast.

Board Summary



The following board meetings are scheduled for the rest of the year. Additional meetings will be held by teleconference as required.

- ◆ April 27, 28 and 29, 2011
- ◆ August 23, 24 and 25, 2011
- ◆ November 22, 23, 24 and 25, 2011

Around the ISR

- ◆ The Beaufort-Delta Regional Council held a meeting January 18 to 19 at Ingamo Hall in Inuvik with community representatives in attendance.
- ◆ A community feast and drum dance in Aklavik

- ◆ With funding provided by Indian and Northern Affairs Canada, IRC worked with the Community Corporations to take passport photos of beneficiaries at no charge: Aklavik (March 8); Paulatuk (March 29-30); Sachs Harbour (March 21-22); Tuktoyaktuk (March 24-25); and Ulukhaktok (March 14-16). As for Inuvik, the service is available as and when required. Contact IRC or Inuvik CC for more information. ■

Left: Margaret and Abraham Klengenberg in Tuk. Right: Nellie Cournoyea with Micky Ipana, MVP in the "A" Division of the IRC Native Hockey Tournament.



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Summary of IRC Board Motions and Meeting Update

At the IRC Board meeting of February 15 to 17, **Nellie Cournoyea**, Chair and CEO, welcomed new and returning members: **Dennis Arey** (Aklavik), **Duane Smith** (Inuvik), **Lawrence Ruben** (Paulatuk), **John Lucas Jr.** (Sachs Harbour), **Vince Teddy** (Tuk) and **Colin Okheena** (Ulukhaktok). Observers in attendance were **Gayle Gruben** (Inuvik), **Brenda Lucas** (Sachs Harbour), **Sandy Adam** (Tuk) and **Adam Inuktalik** (Ulukhaktok).

Here is a summary of the motions passed and an update of some of the on-going issues (those not covered elsewhere). Beneficiaries are urged to contact their Community Corporations or IRC for more information on each of the motions.

Motion 03/11: 2011 IRC Consolidated Budget

The Board approved the 2011 IRC consolidated budget.

Motion 04/11: IRC Executive

The Board appointed **Duane Smith** as Vice-Chair on the IRC Executive.

Motion 05/11: IRC Executive

The Board appointed **Colin Okheena** as Secretary/Treasurer on the IRC Executive.

Motion 07/11: ILAC

The Board re-appointed **Albert Elias** as the Chair of the Inuvialuit Land Administration Commission (ILAC) for a term of 3 years.

Motion 08/11: Beaufort Sea Initiatives

The Board appointed **Charles (Chucky) Gruben** as the IRC alternate on Beaufort Sea Initiatives. (**Carol D. Arey** will remain as the IRC representative.)

Motion 09/11: Inuvialuit Trust

The Board confirmed that the Inuvialuit Trust would consist of the Executive members of the board of IRC (**Nellie Cournoyea**, **Duane Smith** and **Colin Okheena**).

Motion 10/11: Compensation Committee

The Board appointed **Colin Okheena** to the Compensation Committee. He will join **Duane Smith** and **Carol D. Arey**.

Motion 12/11: IPC Board

The Board confirmed that the board of the Inuvialuit Petroleum

Corporation (IPC) would consist of the members of the board of IRC.

Motion 13/11: ILC Board

The Board confirmed that the board of the Inuvialuit Land Corporation (ILC) would consist of the Executive members of the board of IRC (**Nellie Cournoyea**, **Duane Smith** and **Colin Okheena**).

Motion 14/11: TNNP Management Board

The Board endorsed Paulatuk CC's decision to nominate **Bill Steven Ruben** for appointment as the alternate to the Tuktut Nogait National Park (TNNP) Management Board.

Motion 15/11: Self-Government

The Board approved the 2011 Self-Government business plan and budget on the understanding that the expenditures will remain at current levels until confirmation of 2011/2012 federal government funding.

Inuvialuit Investment Corporation (IIC)

Frank Hansen, IIC Chair, reported that the Dow Jones rallied 7.3%, building on third quarter gains and is up 19% since the lows of July 2. The stock market in Canada followed suit with a fourth quarter gain of 9.4%. North American interest rates moved higher in December in response to indicators that an economic recovery was gaining momentum.

The fourth quarter stock market rally was a continuation of the equity market's response to expansionary monetary policies by central banks around the world. The European Central Bank and the Bank of Japan pursued the quantitative easing strategy ushered in by the U.S. Federal Reserve by purchasing debt securities in a bid to lower borrowing costs and stimulate business activity.

As a result, the IIC portfolio achieved a 4.51% gain in the fourth quarter. For the year, the return was 10.74%. The IIC portfolio

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IRC Native Hockey Tournament. Left: Inuvik's Northwind, winners of the "A" Division. Right: Inuvik's Midgets, winners of the "B" Division.



Community Corporation Directors

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Dennis Arey Chair
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 Dean McLeod Secretary/Treasurer
 Dean (Manny) Arey Director
 Andrew Gordon Sr. Director
 Don D. Storr Director
 Evelyn Storr Director

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P.O. Box 1365, Inuvik, NT X0E 0T0
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Duane Smith Chair
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 Peggy Day Secretary/Treasurer
 Ethel-Jean Gruben Director
 Gerald Inglangasuk Director
 Edgar Maring Director
 Raymond Tingmiak Director

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Lawrence Ruben Chair
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 Ray Ruben Sr. Secretary/Treasurer
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 Bobby Ruben Director
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 Corporate Manager: **Donna Keogak**

John Lucas Jr. Chair
 Richard Carpenter Vice-Chair
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 Beverly Amos Director
 Wayne Gully Director
 Priscilla Haogak Director
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Tuktoyaktuk Community Corporation

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 Tel: 867.977.2390 Fax: 867.977.2504
 Corporate Manager: **John Russell (Acting)**

Vince Teddy Chair
 Eddie Dillon Vice-Chair
 Holly Ovayuak-Gruben Secretary/Treasurer
 Sandy Adam Director
 Lennie Emaghok Director
 Charles (Chucky) Gruben Director
 John Stuart Jr. Director

Ulukhaktok Community Corporation

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 Corporate Manager: **Angela Kuneyuna**

Colin Okheena Chair
 Adam Inuktalik Vice-Chair
 Lillian Kanayok Secretary/Treasurer
 Joseph Kitekudlak Sr. Director
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 Richard Notaina Director
 Joshua Oliktoak Director

Left: The Handicraft Program (for Older Workers) in Ulukhaktok with (front) Elsie Klengenber, Julia Ekpakhak, Mabel Nigiyok, Mary Kudlak, (back) Lorna Rye (Instructor), Susie Malgokak, Irene Akhiatak and Ada Ekootak (Community Project Coordinator). Missing are Diane Alikamik and Cora Joss. (Photo by Rebecca Perry, Aurora College.) **Right:** The Aklavik Delta Drummers and Dancers performing at Kivqiq Dance Festival in Barrow, Alaska. (Photo courtesy of Andrew Gordon Sr.)



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finished 2010 on a high note with a valuation of \$321 million, compared to \$290 million in 2009 and \$242 million in 2008.

Since 2004 accounting policy for investment companies has required that changes in the market value of the assets in the portfolio be reported as revenue (unrealized gains and losses). This means that changes from one reporting period to the next in the value of assets caused by fluctuations in the financial markets are reported as revenue. Based on the recommendation of the Audit Committee, in 2011 the Inuvialuit Corporate Group adopted IFRS (International Financial Reporting Standards) and with it, market value reporting.

Inuvialuit Harvesters Assistance Program (IHAP)

For 2011, the IHAP allocations by community are as follows:

Aklavik	\$29,508
Inuvik	\$63,038
Paulatuk	\$24,278
Sachs Harbour	\$21,829
Tuktoyaktuk	\$58,739
Ulukhaktok	\$25,041
Outside ISR	\$22,976
Total	\$245,409

Please contact the Community Corporation Manager for more information on IHAP. For those beneficiaries living outside of the ISR, please contact **Cheryl Williams** at IRC - 867.777.2737 or 867.777.7046. Her email address is cwilliams@irc.inuvialuit.com.

Devolution Update

On January 26, 2011, the Hon. **John Duncan**, INAC Minister; the Hon. **Floyd Roland**, NWT Premier; and **Nellie Cournoyea**, IRC Chair, signed an agreement-in-principle (AIP) for devolution of lands and resources from Canada to the GNWT.

After a series of negotiations, the Chief Federal Negotiator and Chief Territorial Negotiator recommended to their Principals the signing of the AIP in September 2010. The AIP was also conveyed to the 7 regional Aboriginal groups at the same time for their consideration.

“We have today signed an AIP that will serve as the basis for negotiating a final devolution agreement,” Premier **Floyd Roland** said. “It is a commitment to move forward in the political evolution of the NWT and a key step in securing decision making for our future that reflects the values and needs of our residents, their governments and our territory.”

“The Inuvialuit were the first in the NWT to sign a land claim agreement. We have worked hard in the implementation of that agreement to improve the economy in the region and communities to improve the life of the Inuvialuit,” said **Nellie Cournoyea**. “Today we take another step as a signatory to this AIP on devolution to achieve our goals.”

The signing of the AIP is a key step in the devolution process

and signifies the commitment of the parties to commence negotiations towards a final Devolution Agreement. The final Devolution Agreement will include the transfer of administration, control and management of land, water, mines, minerals, and oil and gas in the NWT.

ITK/ICC (Canada) Update

Nellie Cournoyea reported that the Inuit Tapiriit Kanatami (ITK) and Inuit Circumpolar Council (ICC) Canada will be holding their AGMs in Inuvik June 22, 23 and 24. Approximately 35 people from ITK and the 4 Inuit regions will be in attendance.

Duane Smith, President, ICC (Canada), reported on the *Summit on Resource Development* in Ottawa for Inuit leaders from Greenland, Alaska, Russia and Canada. The summit was held in compliance with article 20 of the Nuuk Declaration, mandated by the delegates to the recent ICC General Assembly.

“We have heard from numerous experts, Inuit and academics over the past 2 days on the issues directly related to developing resources in the Arctic,” stated ICC Chair **Aqqaluk Lyngø**. “The Arctic lands and waters exist in one of the earth’s extreme climates, and this is a place where Inuit continue to live in a way that still depends on the wildlife from land and sea for nutritional, cultural, and economic purposes. Thus our discussions can be characterized as passionate at all levels in relation to major developments such as offshore oil drilling and uranium mining.”

“We have heard of the regulatory regimes developers must comply with in order to engage in major projects in our respective jurisdictions. Inuit want to inform these regulatory regimes and governments with a set of guidelines developed by Inuit in the circumpolar states. Thus we are committing to the finalization and adoption of a *Circumpolar Inuit Declaration on Responsible Resource Development Principles in Inuit Nunaat*.”

Inuit leaders expressed confidence that the Declaration will be finalized imminently, and presented at the Arctic Council Ministerial meeting in May 2011 in Nuuk, Greenland. ■



Community Development Division (CDD)

Diane Archie, Executive Director, CDD, attended the IRC Board meeting to provide reports and address concerns.

CDD News Brief

Diane Archie reported that CDD is busy with government fiscal year end activities - meeting contribution agreement guidelines and spending within funding allocations. Yearly staff performance reviews are also underway.

As a member of the Regional Implementation Working Group, Diane reported that it ensures the provisions of health supports for all participants, former students and their families participating in the National Truth Commission's Northern event in Inuvik in June. It advises on matters related to the planning and preparation of the event as well as ensures sufficient and appropriate cultural supports are in place.

Resolution Health Support Worker (RHSW) Program

The new Program Manager is **Carol D. Arey**. The support workers are **Susan Peffer**, **Jeffery Amos** and **Jerome Gordon**. The Statement Gatherer is **Annie Goose**.

All community members are invited to drop by the RHSW Program for coffee, receive information, set up appointments, get emotional support, fill forms, write letters, etc. During Open House at the new location - 43 Bonnetplume in Inuvik, over 75 people were in attendance. Home visits and phone support services are all available. Recently, the staff just completed a community tour to advise beneficiaries of their services.

Health and Environment

The new Inuit Research Advisor is **Tamara Hansen** replacing **Jennifer Johnston**. She will monitor and support research activities in the ISR primarily through ArcticNet, Nasivvik and the Northern Contaminants Program (NCP).

Activities included presentation on the Research Agenda at the International Polar Year workshop in Inuvik January; attendance at the NCP Social Cultural Review in Yellowknife February 21 to 25; and participation in the development of IRC's Research Agenda and Policy.

Health Matters

As the Manager, Health Projects, **Crystal Lennie** works closely with her counterpart at ITK. She reported that there is now the Health Services Integration Fund (HSIF), a "sister" fund to the Aboriginal Health Transition Fund (AHTF), which will end March 31, 2012.

Due to the success of the Aklavik project on H-Pylori, similar research projects will hopefully be started in Sachs Harbour and Tuk. The next step will be the forming of a regional steering committee.

With funding from Health Canada's Palliative Care, community-specific booklets *Comfort for Those in Need* were sent to each of the Health Centres in the region. An education guide for the health professionals was also created and distributed.

The Healthy Buddies *Illannariik* curriculum has now been culturally adapted with the assistance of **Sandra Ipana**. Designed to combat childhood obesity and diabetes, it is available in the schools in the region.

In January, the steering committee for the Inuit Health Survey held a results workshop in Inuvik. The main results are available at www.inuithealthsurvey.ca.

As the Aboriginal Health Coordinator, **Peggy Day** is responsible for Aboriginal Diabetes Initiative (ADI), Inuit Tobacco Initiative, Tuk Pilot Project and Aboriginal Health Human Resources Initiative (AHHRI).

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Previous Page: Melody McLeod, NWT Metis Nation; Nellie Cournoyea, IRC; Hon. John Duncan, INAC Minister; and Hon. Floyd Roland, NWT Premier at the signing of an agreement-in-principle for devolution of lands and resources from Canada to the GNWT. (Photo by Dave Brosha, GNWT.) This Page, Left: (front) Georgina Wolki, Moriya Krengnektak, (back) Beatrice Krengnektak, Debbie Gordon-Ruben, Colton Gordon-Ruben and Tianna Kuptana in Paulatuk. This Page, Right: Participants of the Elders and Youth Literacy Program (Computer Course) in Tuk - (front) Catherine Katigagyok, Ella Jean Nogasak, Lucy Cockney, Jean Gruben; (back) Julia Steen, Alexa Lundrigan, Sabrina Lucas, Rebecca Kangekana and Kristen Lucas. (Photo courtesy of Tuk CC.)



More on Community Development Division (CDD)

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Under the ADI, Peggy works closely with the Diabetes Educator and the Nutritionist to set dates for community visits. There is a focus group with a mini workshop setup and a cooking class in each community. Recently the Inuit Diabetes Network held their annual meeting in Inuvik; a highlight was meeting elders who participated in the fitness program.

Under the Inuit Tobacco Initiative, the *Bluelight Campaign* is a pilot project in Ulukhaktok to encourage households to stop smoking in the homes. **Roland Notaina** is assisting in the delivery of the program. Another pilot project is the *Born Smoke Free Campaign* to encourage mothers to quit smoking while pregnant and not smoke around their babies.

The Tuk Pilot Project is a 2-year mental health and wellness project to build community support, improve communication and working relationships with all the community organizations in Tuk. **Rita Green** is the Coordinator who conducts home visits, support groups and parenting classes.

Under AHHRI, the objective is get Inuvialuit students interested in health careers. **Peggy Day** and **Meeka Kisoun** (Career Development Officer) attended Paulatuk's career fair whereas **Susan Peffer** and **Sandra Elanik** attended Ulukhaktok's career fair. There were many questions on the different career options as well as funding for post-secondary education.

With respect to Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder (FASD) programs, with funding from the Public Health Agency of Canada, IRC held a parenting course to teach parents how to better connect with their children and learn positive interaction.

Community Wellness

As of March 2011, the new Regional Wellness Coordinator is **Peggy Day** with **Erin (Joe) Baldwin** moving to IDC's Accounting Department. The Coordinator administers several contribution

agreements: *Brighter Futures*, *Canada Prenatal Nutrition Program (CPNP)*, *Healthy Babies Program (PHAC)*, and *Cultural Connections for Aboriginal Youth (CCAY)*.

With respect to *Brighter Futures*, the 2010/2011 Interim Report was submitted and reports received from all Community Corporations.

To evaluate the CPNP program, IRC will be conducting surveys on how to enhance the service. In the future, the Coordinator will be working closely with the Community Corporations to continue regular communication.

In January, IRC attended a CCAY information session to discuss its new objectives and requirements as well as the new funding amounts allocated to Inuit under the Aboriginal Peoples Program. Out of \$23 million, approximately \$1.3 million is set aside for Inuit across the territories to apply in competition.

Erin (Joe) Baldwin also provided an update on the Human Papillomavirus (HPV) Steering Committee meeting. The study determines how common HPV infections are in NWT women and develops effective cancer screening and prevention programs. In the Beaufort-Delta region, it concentrated on the communities of Inuvik, Aklavik and Tsiighetchic. Participation rates were excellent.

Inuvialuit Child Development Programs

Alice Thrasher, Manager, Inuvialuit Child Development Programs, reported that all the Centres are working towards a more culturally based program with drum dancing, singing, talking, arts and crafts, etc. During Christmas, the Centres held feasts which were well attended by the parents and community in general.

The Coordinators are as follows: **Annie Buckle** (Aklavik), **Theresa McNabb** (Inuvik), **Irene Ruben** (Paulatuk), **Sarah Ettiagiak** (Tuk) and **Sandra Oloakyok** (Ulukhaktok).

The Shepherd Photo Collection

From the late 1920s to late 1940s, Rev. Sherman Shepherd and his wife, Reita, and three children lived at Shingle Point and later in Aklavik. Rev. Shepherd was the Pastor of the Anglican Church; his wife was an avid photographer.

In 2003, the family contacted the Inuvialuit Cultural Resource Centre (ICRC) and offered a loan of the photos. As a result, hundreds of photos were scanned into a database.

Faced with the huge task of identifying people in the photos, ICRC is turning to the beneficiaries. Help!

Thank you for your response in the last issue's photos. Here is a photo of a group of girls taken in Aklavik. If you recognize anyone, please contact irc@irc.inuvialuit.com or 867.777.2595. Thank you! ■



More on Community Development Division (CDD)

Language and Culture

Cathy Cockney, Manager, Inuvialuit Cultural Resource Centre (ICRC), reported that she attended a meeting with Canadian Heritage in Ottawa on the Aboriginal Language Initiative funding cut in 2010/2011 and its new proposal guidelines.

ICRC purchased copies of *Proud to be Inuvialuit* for distribution to the language teachers. Also distributed were copies of Arctic Sports and Snowshoeing from GNWT (MACA). Meanwhile the Community Corporations received 200 copies of the new DVD on Inuvialuit culture and language.

Work continues on the production of booklets on the artifact photos and clothing patterns from the Smithsonian Project. **Albert Elias** conducted interviews with 13 elders in Paulatuk and Tuk. Verification work with elders are scheduled from February to April.

Emily Kudlak, Language Officer (Ulukhaktok) reported that it was a busy time for completion of the *2011 Our Voices* calendar in time for Christmas distribution. She enjoyed the assistance provided by **Diane Alikamik**, an Aurora College student on work placement at the Katimavik Centre. Currently Emily is working with **Tristan Pearce** (Ryerson University) and **Chip Bryant** (Helen Kalvak Ilihakvik School) to create an oral history database of Ulukhaktok elders' stories, photos and songs. The draft of the *Ulukhaktok Drum Making* booklet is almost complete.

Just a reminder that copies of *Inuvialuit Nautchiangit: Relationships Between People and Plants* are available from ICRC and IRC at \$49.95 plus GST. It is a collection of traditional knowledge on the use of plants from the Inuvialuit elders in the ISR.

Inuvialuit CEDO

CEDO will increase focus on building/supporting business management and development capacity across the communities. The staff are **Sue McNeil**, new CEDO Manager, **Jennifer Hinze**, Manager, Renewable Resource Projects; and **John Ritchie**, Project Manager, Community Adjustment Fund. Late flash - **Jiri Raska** is the new CEDO Project Coordinator.

Under NEDCIN (National Economic Development Committee for Inuit Nunangat), there is an agreement-in-principle on 4 priority

issues: (1) multi-year agreements for CEDO, (2) cost of doing business reflected in funding allocations, (3) terms and conditions to be Inuit-specific, and (4) alternate service delivery for INAC's Aboriginal Business Development Program.

The Muskox Product Company was approved as a subsidiary of the NWT Business Development and Investment Corporation (BDIC). The next steps include forming a new board and hiring a local Site Coordinator in Sachs Harbour. The commercial muskox harvest is still scheduled for November 2011.

Kunnerk Resources has harvested 224 reindeer to date. As per IRC Board Motion #24/10, it has provided reindeer meat for distribution by IRC at the community level in exchange for payment of outstanding grazing fees. CEDO is assisting in expediting the meat to the communities.

All community corporations reported on the success and welcome of CEDO's \$1.4 million for the Nalukatuk economic development initiative from the Community Adjustment Fund, a part of Canada's Economic Action Plan. Projects moving forward include Aklavik - beautification and crafts (parkas), Inuvik - upgrades, Paulatuk - quarrying, crafts (parkas) and Paulatuk Visitor Centre Corporation upgrades, Sachs Harbour - Angus Lake Trail upgrades and day use site, Tuk - beautification and Tuk Carving Shop, and Ulukhaktok - quarrying project. ■



Left: ICRC's Emily Kudlak and Diane Alikamik getting language resources ready for a Career Fair in Ulukhaktok. Right: Aerial view of Rummy Lake Camp, a mining camp which is leased to Darnley Bay Resources Ltd. by the Paulatuk Development Corporation. (Photo by Jiri Raska.)



Education, Training and Career Development

Candace Morgan, Chief Human Resources Officer, attended the IRC Board meeting to provide reports and address concerns.

The Human Resources Department is responsible for Education, Training and Career Development. The staff are **Candace Morgan**, Chief HR Officer; **Brenda Roberts**, HR Advisor; **Sandra Elanik**, Manager, IEF; **Meeka Kisoun**, Career Development Officer; **Charles Martin**, ASETS Technician; **Margaret McLeod-Norris**, HR Coordinator; and **Sarah Thomas**, Manager, ASETS.

ASETS (Ends March 2015)

ASETS (Aboriginal Skills and Employment Training Strategy) replaced AHRDA and is significantly different. It is now limited to funding of beneficiaries living in the ISR and in support of *training* and not *full education* programs. As well, a detailed career plan is required to access funding. However, some improvements were made to assist Inuvialuit students: increased monthly training allowance, monthly contacts, and a trip home to family over Christmas for those funded over 2 semesters provided they did not bring family with them.

Through ASETS, the Community Employment Officers attended a 3-day Training Forum in Inuvik February 14 to 16.

ASTSIF (Ends March 2011)

ASTSIF (Aboriginal Skills and Training Strategic Investment Fund) is winding up March 31 and deemed a huge success. Since November 2010, the following programs were offered in the communities:

<i>Community</i>	<i>Program</i>	<i>Beneficiaries</i>
Aklavik	Workplace Readiness	26
Inuvik	Sunchild E-Learning	13
Inuvik	Workplace Readiness	14
Inuvik	Flight Attendant Prep	5
Paulatuk	Workplace Readiness #2	16
Tuktuyaktuk	Workplace Readiness	36
Ulukhaktok	Workplace Readiness	15

Of the 5 beneficiaries in the Flight Attendant Prep Program, 2 were hired by Canadian North.

BIPS (Ends March 2012)

BIPS (Building Inuvialuit Potential Society) is moving into its final year of operation. The board members are **Helen Sullivan** (GNWT-ECE), **Kurt Wainman** (Northwind) along with IRC's **Diane Archie** and **Candace Morgan**. BIPS has focused on partnerships with apprenticeship programs in place at Dowland Contracting and NorTerra. Currently there is call for interest to the business community for future projects.

Beneficiaries Returning to Work in ISR

Welcome back to **Nathaniel (Ned) Day** (formerly of Calgary) who moved home to work for Inuvik Gas as the Gas Production Operator. Welcome also to **Maureen Cournoyea** (formerly of Edmonton) to work for IRC as the Records Management Intern.

Inuvialuit Career Centre

The Inuvialuit Career Centre is located on the main floor of the Inuvialuit Corporate Centre where **Meeka Kisoun** assists many clients with job searches, resume and cover letter writing, training applications, career planning and SFA applications. She is available at 867.777.7095 or toll-free at 866.427.6645.

Inuvialuit Education Foundation

Sandra Elanik, Manager, IEF, oversees programs that include the Post-Secondary Financial Assistance Program (PSFAP), scholarships and tutoring. Of the 135 applicants for the PSFAP, 59 students were confirmed for funding support - 19 in bachelor degree programs, 23 in diploma programs and 17 in one-year upgrading programs (UCEP, Access and Pre-Technology).

Students living outside of the Inuvialuit communities who are interested in learning more of IEF's programs, please call **Sandra Elanik** at 867.777.7029 or toll-free at 866.427.6645. ■

Don't Forget!

IRC has two (2) funding sources to assist beneficiaries in pursuing post-secondary studies and training initiatives: the Inuvialuit Education Foundation (IEF) and Aboriginal Skills & Employment Training Strategy (ASETS).

Support from IEF includes Post-Secondary Supplementary funding and scholarships.*
Support from other funds includes training allowances, tuition, travel, textbooks and materials.*



- ➔ The next IEF application deadline for the fall semester is July 15
- ➔ Applications must be received at least 1 month before start date of programs for ASETS funding

Contact IRC's Human Resources Department -

Tel: 867.777.7088
Fax: 867.777.4506
Email: info@irc.inuvialuit.com

* Certain eligibility criteria must be met.

Update on Oil and Gas Activities in the ISR

Mackenzie Gas Project Gets Approvals

Having received approval from the federal cabinet, the National Energy Board (NEB) has issued a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity for the 1,196-kilometre long Mackenzie Valley Pipeline, part of the Mackenzie Gas Project.

The Mackenzie Valley Pipeline would run from the Beaufort Sea to northwestern Alberta, and is designed to carry up to 34.3 million cubic metres (1.2 billion cubic feet) of natural gas per day. The Mackenzie Gas Project also includes 3 onshore natural gas fields, a pipeline gathering system to bring the gas from the development fields to a processing plant, a 457-kilometre pipeline to carry natural gas liquids from Inuvik to an existing oil pipeline at Norman Wells and other related facilities.

The proponents for this project are Imperial Oil Resources Ventures Limited, the Mackenzie Valley Aboriginal Pipeline Limited Partnership, ConocoPhillips Canada (North) Limited, Shell Canada Limited and ExxonMobil Canada Properties. They would be required to obtain numerous permits and authorizations from other boards and government agencies before construction could commence.

Imperial Oil's Work Program

Imperial Oil Resources Ventures Ltd. (Imperial), ExxonMobil Canada Ltd. (EMC) and BP Exploration Operating Company Ltd. (BP) have a Joint Operating Agreement regarding exploration licences (ELs) in the Beaufort Sea. In January, Imperial met with IRC to provide an update on its 2010 activities including Field Data Collection Program, Traditional Knowledge Collection Program, overview of sponsored community initiatives and feedback results from an October community consultation tour.

The Field Data Collection Program was a collaboration with ArcticNet on board the CCGS Amundsen. Data was collected August 12 to October 7. Inuvialuit beneficiaries were hired as Marine Wildlife Observers.

During the Traditional Knowledge Collection Program, participants were also interviewed on the impacts of offshore development. Feedback included the following:

- ◆ An oil spill in the offshore area would be devastating for communities, as it would affect the marine animals that the people rely on for food.
- ◆ Marine traffic associated with an offshore program would affect marine mammals (e.g., cause them to move away), but they may eventually adjust to the traffic.
- ◆ There may be economic opportunities for communities, as many people already have training and experience working on drill rigs.
- ◆ Preference should be given to hiring local labour.

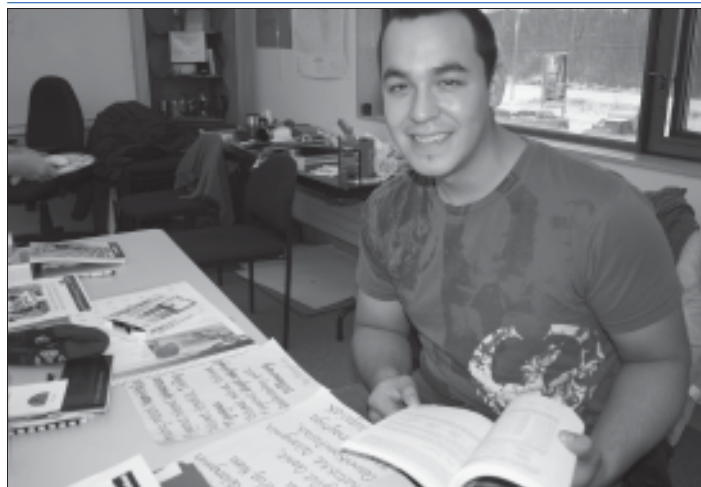
Imperial will continue meetings in 2011 with the Inuvialuit on their proposed exploration drilling program and schedule.

NEB's Consultations on Offshore Drilling Review

The Chair and CEO, **Gaetan Caron**, of the National Energy Board (NEB) provided an update of its consultations on offshore drilling in the Arctic. In January, the NEB conducted public meetings and met with the Community Corporations and HTCs in all the Inuvialuit communities. They heard concerns with respect to the impacts of offshore drilling on the people, wildlife and environment; lack of training; lack of infrastructure (as first responders); benefits for the people; compensation in case of losses; and what companies would leave behind, ie. - sumps, clean-ups, etc.

Once the information is compiled, the NEB will hold round-table discussions in Inuvik later this year.

In conclusion, **Gaetan Caron** thanked the Inuvialuit communities for their hospitality. He particularly enjoyed the drum dancing at the Open Houses in Paulatuk and Uluhaktok. ■



Left: Dwayne Drescher, one of the students in Aurora College's Aboriginal Language and Culture Instructor program. Right: Susan Peffer and Sandra Elanik at the IRC booth during a Career Fair in Uluhaktok.

Inuvialuit Development Corporation (IDC)

Wayne Gordon, Chair, met with the IRC Board to review the results of IDC's operations and address concerns.

Economic Environment

There is no exploratory drilling for oil and gas in the ISR for the winter of 2010/2011. Despite the lack of activity, IDC continues to manage its cash very well with diversification of its sources in the last 2 years.

Within the ISR, Stanton Distributing's strong performance stands out with growth in the 3 markets - Inuvik, Tuk and Aklavik.

Under the Akita Equatak partnership, all rigs are now idle as drilling opportunities have not materialized. Rig #61 is still under contract for another 2 years and will produce the contract standby fees. The company continues to look for opportunities.

Although NorTerra is undergoing corporate restructuring in its subsidiaries to address the economy, a bright spot is the strong Canadian North performance due to charter services to Alberta's oil sands operators.

Properties, etc.

IDC Properties reported that the Coast Guard Building is now complete. In February, the IRC Board toured this newest of IDC's investments. It is located at 81 Kingmingya Road in Inuvik.

IDC is expected to be released from the performance guarantee provided to the GNWT for Dowland Contracting's Inuvik School Project. Once the bonding liability is also removed, IDC will begin to finalize its divestiture of the company in 2011.

Aklak Inc.

The Aklak insurance claim process (from the hangar fire of November 5) is moving forward. The insurance companies have advanced \$1 million to IDC to replace office equipment and look at the redesign and construction of a replacement hangar.

Meanwhile the shareholders (IDC and Kenn Borek Air) will be injecting cash into Aklak Inc. in 2011. The company requires assistance in recapitalization.

Closing Remarks

IDC continues to manage its cost structures and cash very carefully. While there are a number of challenges, each is being addressed by the IDC management team at this time. ■

Top Left: IDC's staff includes Lazarus Maring, Laurie Smith, Colin Day, Forrest Day and Danny Smith Jr. Top Right: Angus Alunik and Gary Gordon. Bottom: A tour of IDC's Coast Guard Building with Duane Smith, Wayne Gordon, Dennis Arey, Brenda Lucas, John Lucas Jr., Adam Inuktalik, Colin Okheena, Lawrence Ruben, Sandy Adam and Vince Teddy.



Inuvialuit Land Administration (ILA)

ILA staff includes **John Fraser**, Chief Land Administrator; **Marilyn Cockney**, Land Use Applications Coordinator; **Patrice Stuart**, Land Use Applications Coordinator; **Barry Jacobson**, Information Technology Coordinator; **Emily Borsy**, Land Use Policy Coordinator; **Deon Bridge**, Environmental Management Coordinator; **Tina Steen**, Office Manager (on leave); **Janet Elias**, Environmental Monitor Coordinator (on leave); and **Glenna Elias**, Office Manager/Receptionist.

Inuvialuit Land Use Applications

ILA developed an internet based Land Use Application System (LUAS) to allow applicants to submit applications to and work with ILA online throughout the project cycle. It is available at www.inuvialuitland.com.

In the first quarter of 2011, ILA is processing a new Land Use Licence application for the GNWT (ENR) regarding population inventory of the rare Hairy Rockcress. ILA is also renewing a Land Use Licence for INAC on Environmental Studies across the Treeline.

Environmental Monitor Program

ILA retained 2 Environmental Monitors - **Roy Smith** and **John Roland** - for Ikhil maintenance and refuelling. No gravel checkers were employed in the first quarter as there was no gravel extraction.

Inuvik-Tuk Highway

The proposed Inuvik-Tuk Highway is currently with the Environmental Impact Review Board (EIRB). It will review and determine the terms and conditions required to ensure minimal impacts to the wildlife and environment if approved as well as consider the worst case scenario and its compensation.

Meanwhile ILA is analyzing the project's implications to Inuvialuit private lands. In February, ILA and GNWT (DOT) discussed the drafting of an EIS (Environmental Impact Statement) and the remaining process.

Community Outreach Strategy

To increase communication between ILA and the ISR communities, ILA is conducting Community Update meetings. In December, ILA held a meeting in Aklavik where topics

discussed included the following: activities on Inuvialuit private lands near Aklavik in 2009/2010, Aklavik gravel reconnaissance results, ILA Heritage Site Registration Program, Inuvik-Tuk Highway overview, etc. Paulatuk, Inuvik and Sachs Harbour are scheduled for the Spring. These meetings provide community members with the opportunity to voice their concerns directly to ILA.

Clean-up and Training Opportunities

ILA signed 3 contribution agreements with the CRTOC (Contaminates Remediation Training Organization of Canada) for the training of Inuvialuit in clean-up activities in the ISR: GNME (Great Northern Mining & Exploration) Camp Centroid on Victoria Island, Reindeer Station near Inuvik and the outer Mackenzie Delta islands.

ILAC Meeting

The following policy topics were discussed at the ILAC meeting of February 15 to 17:

- ◆ Introduction to the Convention on Biological Diversity: Access and Benefit Sharing.
- ◆ ILA Well Site Remediation Strategy.

ILAC members were also updated on potential Inuvik-Tuk Highway land exchange, review of Dempster Highway rules and regulations, ISR DEW Line Update (BAR-1 Komakuk Beach), results of ConocoPhillips sump observations, overview of community granular resource use and community modelling.

The ILAC members in attendance were **Albert Elias** (Chair); **Hank Rogers Sr.** (Inuvik); **Bobby Ruben** (Paulatuk); **Joe Kudlak** (Sachs Harbour); **Lennie Emaghok** (Tuk); and **Joseph Haluksit** (Ulukhaktok). ■

Left: Frances Wolki, Josie Green and John Blyth (Instructor) in Aurora College's Environmental Monitor Training Program in Paulatuk. **Right:** Nellie Cournoyea meeting the President of Korea Gas Corporation, Gang Su Joo. (Photo courtesy of KOGAS Canada.)



Members Comments: Concerns from the Community Corporations

Aklavik Community Corporation

As the recently elected Chair of Aklavik CC, **Dennis Arey**, thanked his community for the support and will do his best to represent Aklavik. He reported that on January 25, the successful completion of the environmental remediation project at Stokes Point was celebrated with a community feast and drum dance.

In February, the Aklavik Drummers and Dancers (21 members in total) attended the *Kivqiq Dance Festival* in Barrow, Alaska. Thanks to CEDO's Community Adjustment Fund, they proudly wore new drum dance parkas.

Inuvik Community Corporation

Duane Smith reported that Inuvik CC approved 25 new applicants for their membership list. All members are invited to attend the AGM on April 6.

A total of 451 Christmas hamper vouchers were given out to membership households. Inuvik CC would like to acknowledge the staff's involvement in the many activities during Christmas and New Year. There is a recommendation for next year that Inuvik CC considers the New Year's Eve to continue with games and Old Time Dance, but to serve snacks instead of organizing a community feast. Holidays should be a time of rest!

After 2 inspection trips in December and January by the IHTC on the Reindeer Station Project, steps have been taken to address outstanding concerns. Through its Facebook page, Inuvik CC has received many suggestions and recommendations on what programs they would like to see happening on an annual basis at Reindeer Station.

Meanwhile funding was approved for the clean-up of metal wastes at Reindeer Station and the Delta whale camps on Kendall Island. Five individuals will be hired for clean-up and site assessment.

In Self-Government news, 5 fieldworkers - **Donna Rogers, Debbie Phillips, Charles Aviugana, Nellie Elanik** and **Maureen Keevik** - were hired to work with **Beverly Lennie**, Community Development Facilitator. They will visit Inuvialuit homes to record feedback on the Self-Government Agreement-in-Principle booklet.

Inuvik CC attended the following meetings: Arctic Tern Youth

Facility (January 11), Beaufort-Delta Regional Dialogue (January 17), Beaufort-Delta Regional Council (January 18 to 19), National Energy Board's Arctic Review (January 19), International Polar Year Results Conference (January 19 to 21), Inuit Health Survey Steering Committee (January 22 to 23), IHTC Inuvik-Tuk Highway (January 26), Not-Us Against Drugs (January 26), and Inuvik CC Board meetings (January 13/February 14).

Between November 23, 2010 and February 14, 2011, Inuvik CC donated \$5,441 to community activities and funeral assistance.

Paulatuk Community Corporation

Since the election in December, new Chair **Lawrence Ruben** has reviewed the administration of Paulatuk CC and been quickly brought up to speed on on-going activities and issues.

First on the agenda was the finalization of necessary documents for the purchase of a mining camp which is to be leased to Darnley Bay Resources Ltd. (DBRL). Paulatuk CC would like to recognize **Gilbert Thrasher Sr.** for his work in making this initiative a reality. A trip was also made to the camp to determine a complete list of inventory. Lastly, DBRL held a meeting with Paulatuk CC, PHTC and the Elders Committee to provide an update on their 2011 scope of work.

Under CEDO's CAF funding, several trips were made to bring soapstone into the community. This project provided employment as well as a local source of soapstone for distribution in the ISR.

The new Chair of the Elders Committee is **Anne Thrasher**. Congratulations!

Sachs Harbour Community Corporation

As the new Chair of Sachs Harbour CC, **John Lucas Jr.** reported that December was busy with elections and Christmas activities like the Craft Night and the annual Christmas Feast. The

Left: Youth enjoying Inuvik CC's Summer Whale Camp in July 2010. Funding was provided by Brighter Futures. (Photo courtesy of Inuvik CC.) Right: Jonah Nakimayak, Jean Gruben, Millie Thrasher and (back) Marion Green in Paulatuk.



Members Comments: Concerns from the Community Corporations

Traditional Potluck Dinner was definitely a highlight with traditional food, fun games and a fashion show. Thank you **Nellie Cournoyea** for providing some of the traditional food! Thank you **Chelsey Elanik** and **Andrea Keogak** for organizing this event!

The CEDO's CAF projects are on-going. The cabin at Angus Lake is completed. The sled making (qamutik) project is proceeding with supplies on the way to Sachs Harbour.

In January, there was good attendance at a Parks Canada Open House session on Aulavik National Park. During the Beaufort-Delta Regional Council, Sachs Harbour CC raised a concern on education and the home boarding situation. Meanwhile the National Energy Board held a public meeting and a separate meeting with the Board to discuss its Arctic Review.

Tuktoyaktuk Community Corporation

Vince Teddy reported that Tuk CC held a *Visioning Workshop* to look at past, present and future goals. As a result, 64 items were identified as requiring attention. A Top Priority List was developed.

During the regular Tuk CC Board meetings, members raised the following concerns: possibility of gasification for the community; community consultation regarding proposed plans for the Tuk-Inuvik highway project; status of the M18 gas field located on Tuk 7.1(a) lands; IRC's plans for replacement of its retiring Chief Operating Officer; ILA fees with respect to the Tuk Elders Committee; and the obligation of GNWT tendering and contracting in the ISR.

Under CEDO's CAF funding, work is progressing at the Tuk Carving Centre with electrical upgrades and ventilation systems slated for completion by March 31.

The new Youth Coordinator at the Jason Jacobson Youth Centre is **Winnie Blake** replacing **John Stuart Jr.**

Tuk Elders Committee held 2 Elders Luncheons in the past 3 months. They were all very well attended by the community.

With respect to donations, once again Tuk CC provided Christmas hampers to Inuvialuit households. Tuk CC also made cash donations of \$7,369.

Ulukhaktok Community Corporation

Colin Okheena reported that in December Ulukhaktok Community Corporation provided Christmas food hampers along with ham to its membership households. As part of the Christmas activities, Ulukhaktok CC, the Elders and Youth Committees, games were held for the community on December 28. There was great feedback!

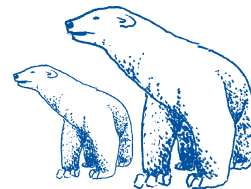
Self-Government was busy with information sessions, home and school visits. **Annie Goose** was the new Fieldworker, but she has since resigned to join IRC in another capacity.

Ulukhaktok CC and OHTC met the delegates from the National Energy Board during their Arctic Review session. The community enjoyed the dinner as well as the information session.

Although some of the Brighter Futures programs are on hold due to funding amendments, the youth have enjoyed the gatherings where they made mitts, kamiks and traditional tools.

In the Elders Committee, upon the end of her term, **Margaret Kanayok** decided to take a break as she had served 14 years as a member. She was honoured and recognized on February 11.

The business arm, Ulukhaktok Development Corporation received a 3-year contract with Natural Resources Canada for expediting services to support their geological survey. Meanwhile the taxi service is going well and appreciated by the public. ■



Left: Rosemary Lundrigan, John Russell and Martha Voudrach drawing names for prizes in the Inuvialuit Self-Government Fieldworker Home Visits program in Tuk. Right: Celine Joss and Justine Okheena with the grizzly-polar bear hybrid displayed at the new Simon Kataoyak Community Centre in Ulukhaktok.



IRC's Passport Photo Initiative

Through an initiative with Indian and Northern Affairs Canada (INAC), IRC received funding to improve access to passport photos for the residents of the Inuvialuit communities. In November and January, several staff members were trained by Passport Canada and a professional photographer on what constitutes as an acceptable photo for Canadian passport purposes as well as other basic passport application requirements.

In March, with the assistance of the Community Corporations, IRC staff conducted a tour of the communities - Aklavik (March 8), Ulukhaktok (March 14 to 16), Sachs Harbour (March 21 to 22), Tuk (March 24 to 25) and Paulatuk (March 29 to 30) to take passport photos of beneficiaries at no charge. For those living in Inuvik or passing through, please contact **Peggy Jay** or **Debbie Dillon** at IRC to set up an appointment, all year round.

When IRC conducts its annual Corporate Group Tour of the communities, the passport photo equipment will be included to ensure that beneficiaries are able to obtain photos on an annual basis without having to leave their communities.

For general information on passport applications, please visit the Passport Canada website at www.passportcanada.gc.ca.

For beneficiaries who may have specific questions that are not addressed in the Passport Canada website, please contact **Peggy Jay** at IRC.

Where can I get a passport application form in the ISR?

Forms are available by (1) downloading from the Passport Canada website, or (2) picking up from the local Canada Post, or (3) picking up from Service Canada Centre in Inuvik.

How much does it cost to obtain a regular passport?

The fees for Canadians living in Canada are as follows:

- ◆ Adults, 16 or over \$87
- ◆ Children, 3 to 15 \$37
- ◆ Children, under 3 \$22

How long will it take to process my passport application?

As of March 15, 2011, the processing times (not including delivery time) are as follows: (A) In person (at a Passport Canada counter), 10 business days; (B) By mail, 20 business days; and (C) Through Service Canada Centre, 20 business days.

What do I do if I need my passport fast?

Passport Canada offers Urgent Service and Express Service. These only apply to in-person pickup at certain Passport Canada offices. The Urgent Service processing time is 24 hours and costs \$70 plus the regular passport fee. The Express Service processing time is 2 to 9 days and costs \$30 plus the regular passport fee. You may be required to provide proof of travel. However, Passport Canada will take appropriate action on a case-by-case basis.

What are two original documents I can use as proof of Canadian citizenship?

A Canadian birth certificate or a Certificate of Canadian Citizenship.

I was born in Paulatuk but now living in Alberta. Where do I go to get a copy of my birth certificate?

For those born in the Northwest Territories, please contact **Margaret Miller** at Vital Statistics in Inuvik 867.777.7408 or toll-free 1.800.661.0830, ext. 132. Her email address is Margaret_Miller@gov.nt.ca. The current fee is \$10 for a wallet or paper size birth certificate. Turnaround is fast as printing of the certificates is done every Thursday.

For those born outside of NWT, please contact the Vital Statistics office in your province or territory of birth.

What are the new requirements regarding an eligible guarantor for your photo and passport application?

Guarantors must -

1. Hold a five-year Canadian passport that is valid or has been expired for no more than one year, on the day you submit your application;
2. Have known you personally for at least two (2) years. In the case of a child, have known you (parent or legal guardian) personally for at least two (2) years and have knowledge of the child;
3. Be a Canadian citizen 18 years of age or older;
4. Have been 16 years of age or older when he or she applied for his or her own passport;
5. Provide the requested information contained in his or her passport;
6. Be accessible to Passport Canada for verification;
7. Reside in Canada, in the United States or in any of the areas where submission of the "in Canada and in the USA" application form is authorized, e.g.: Bermuda. It is not necessary that the guarantor reside in the same country as the applicant. ■

Nellie Cournoyea with volunteers Wilma and Ashlyn Hendrick at the IRC Native Hockey Tournament.



Stokes Point Clean-up and Celebration

This article is a contribution from Parks Canada.

Stokes Point, a former Distant Early Warning (DEW) Line Site located in what is now Ivvavik National Park, was successfully cleaned up in the summer of 2010. This was in response to concerns raised by the Inuvialuit Regional Corporation and the people of Aklavik that the site may still have contaminants that could be harmful to people and wildlife that use the site.

After 5 years of site investigation and planning, the clean-up was successfully carried out over a three and a half week period in July and August of 2010, using the Wurmlinger barge for both its camp facility and for transportation of all waste and equipment.

Contamination at Stokes Point no longer poses a risk for wildlife and traditional users. While the clean-up of the site was a success, it is also worth noting that the project maximized economic benefits to the Inuvialuit Settlement Region (ISR) and to Aklavik in particular. With the assistance of Public Works & Government Services, Parks Canada awarded a contract competitively that provided value for taxpayers

combined with significant economic opportunities for Inuvialuit.

The result of this process was that the prime contractor and most sub-contractors were companies listed on the Inuvialuit Business List. It also resulted in 86% of employees being Inuvialuit with 66% of these individuals from the community of Aklavik. The value of Inuvialuit contracting in 2010 alone was well over \$3 million, with total project costs from investigation to remediation totalling \$6 million. The success of the project and the economic benefits it brought to the ISR were made possible by the close working relationships that Parks Canada shares with its Inuvialuit partners.

On January 25, the successful clean-up of contamination at Stokes Point was celebrated with a community feast and drum dance at the Sittichinli Recreation Complex in Aklavik. ■

Left: Aklavik gets ready for the community feast. Right: The Aklavik Delta Drummers and Dancers. (Photos by Donald Ross, Parks Canada.)



Planning for the Future of Aulavik National Park

In January 2011, Parks Canada completed their first round of consultations to update the Aulavik National Park Management Plan. Public meetings were held in Inuvik and Sachs Harbour to get people's thoughts and ideas. Parks Canada and members of the Aulavik Management Planning Working Group recently used this feedback to help draft a new plan for Aulavik. People from

the ISR will have a chance to help shape the future of Aulavik by commenting on this draft in the next round of consultations scheduled to begin June 2011. ■

Sachs Harbour Community Meeting. Left: Brenda Lucas. Centre: Members from the community. Right: Geddes Wolki. (Photos by John Lucas Jr., Parks Canada.)



NorTerra Group of Companies

Canadian North Expands its Fleet

Canadian North is proud to announce that it has expanded its fleet to include a Boeing 737-300 aircraft. This new model adds a third type of aircraft to its fleet, including Boeing 737-200 planes as well as de Havilland Dash 8 aircraft.

“The addition of the 300 is an exciting first step for us in our fleet renewal strategy,” states Canadian North’s Vice President of Operations, **Steve Hankirk**. “The increase in demand in our charter operation, coupled with the strong operation on the scheduled side of our business, has allowed us to move forward with this new aircraft.”

The 737-300 aircraft offers several desirable features, including:

- ◆ A passenger capacity of 136 (the 200 series can accommodate up to 112 passengers)
- ◆ A lower fuel burn
- ◆ Lower maintenance costs
- ◆ A longer flight range

By adding the 737-300 model to its fleet, Canadian North now operates one Boeing 737-300W (winglets), nine 737-200 Combi’s, four Dash 8’s, as well as an additional three to four Dash 8 aircraft that it leases each day. ■



Canadian North’s newest aircraft, the Boeing 737-300. (Photo by Randy Straker.)

NTCL News

NTCL (Northern Transportation Company Limited) is busy preparing for the 2011 shipping season. This year our valued customers will be able to track their shipments online, and register for e-mail alerts indicating when and where their freight is being shipped.

In addition, NTCL will shortly be installing an online quote estimator. If you have questions, please call Aaron at the Customer Service Desk at 1.866.935.6825 or by email at customerservicedesk@ntcl.com. NTCL looks forward to being part of your shipping plans for the 2011 season. ■



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News from the Beneficiaries ...



Left Top: Joyce Banksland, the new (GNWT) Government Service Officer in Ulukhaktok. **Centre Top:** Mary and Tony Green. **Right Top:** Leonard Kuptana. **Left Bottom:** James Day Jr., named as the MVP in the “B” Division at the IRC Native Hockey Tournament. **Centre Bottom:** During Teacher Appreciation Week, the staff of Helen Kalvak Ilihavvik School were given a stencil print and a community feast in their honour. (Photo by Marlene Martin.) **Right Bottom:** Esther Wolki.

Abbreviation Glossary ...

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| <p>ACC: Aklavik Community Corporation
 AOGS: Arctic Oil & Gas Services Inc.
 AHF: Aboriginal Healing Foundation
 CC/CCs: Community Corporation(s)
 CEDO: Community Economic Development Organization
 FJMC: Fisheries Joint Management Committee
 GNWT: Government of Northwest Territories
 ICC: Inuvik Community Corporation
 ICG: Inuvialuit Corporate Group
 ICRC: Inuvialuit Cultural Resource Centre
 ICS: Inuvialuit Communications Society
 IDC: Inuvialuit Development Corporation
 IEF: Inuvialuit Education Foundation
 IFA: Inuvialuit Final Agreement
 IGC: Inuvialuit Game Council
 IHAP: Inuvialuit Harvesters Assistance Program</p> | <p>IIC: Inuvialuit Investment Corporation
 ILA: Inuvialuit Land Administration
 ILAC: Inuvialuit Land Administration Commission
 INAC: Indian and Northern Affairs Canada
 IPC: Inuvialuit Petroleum Corporation
 IRC: Inuvialuit Regional Corporation
 ISDP: Inuvialuit Social Development Program
 ISR: Inuvialuit Settlement Region
 ITK: Inuit Tapiriit Kanatami
 JS: Joint Secretariat
 MGP: Mackenzie Gas Project
 NTCL: Northern Transportation Co. Ltd.
 PCC: Paulatuk Community Corporation
 SHCC: Sachs Harbour Community Corporation
 TCC: Tuktoyaktuk Community Corporation
 UCC: Ulukhaktok Community Corporation</p> |
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Culture Week in Ulukhaktok

Thanks to IRC, Culture Week was an exciting time in Ulukhaktok with many activities February 25 to March 3. During the *Culture on Camera* workshop, students were mentored by filmmakers **Dennis Allen, Jay Bulckaert** and **Loren McGinnis** to produce their own movie and video projects to share with the community and the internet world.

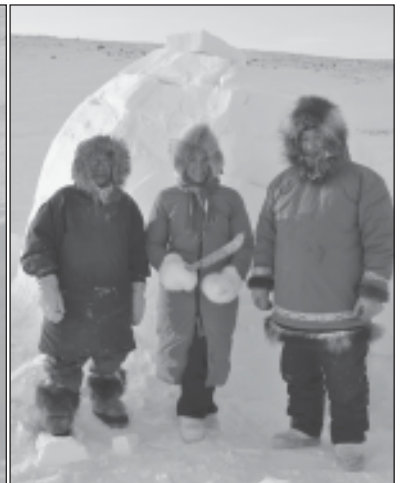
With the *Iglu Building Project* filmed as a documentary by **Dennis Allen**, the students in the workshop used this experience to learn how to film *culture on camera* in their own unique way. Soon the

students were filming drum dancing, interviewing elders and enjoying being behind the cameras. Finished projects were screened at a *Film Festival and Awards* held for the community.

Once the *iglu* was built on Queen's Bay, the elders participated in the *Feeding of the Sun Ceremony*, followed by the lighting of the *qulliq* in the *iglu* by **Rene Oliktoak**. ■



Row 1: The participants of the *Culture on Camera* workshop learning how to use a Flipshare camera to capture videos. **Row 2, Left:** Catherine Kataoyak, one of the workshop participants. **Row 2, Centre:** Members of the community building the *iglu* at Queen's Bay. **Row 2, Right:** Robert Kuptana, Albert Elias with Lynn Feasey. **Row 3, Left:** The Ulukhaktok Drummers and Dancers, Western-Style. **Row 3, Right:** The elders preparing for the *Feeding of the Sun Ceremony*. (All photos courtesy of Lynn Feasey.)



IRC Board Summary Newsletter

Taima ... Taima ... IRC News Roundup

IRC/IDC Staff

IRC welcomes **Maureen Cournoyea** as the Records Management Intern. She is training to understand the processes involved with archiving and warehousing IRC's documents. Also new is **Susan Kaodloak** as the Community Support Assistant, working with **Cheryl Williams**.

IRC's Community Development Division (CDD) is pleased to welcome **Tamara Hansen** as the new Inuit Research Advisor. Meanwhile **Peggy Day** is the new Regional Community Wellness Coordinator. Under the Resolution Health Support Worker (RHSW) Program, new staff members include **Carol D. Arey** as the Program Manager and **Annie Goose** as the Statement Gatherer.

IRC's Human Resources welcomes **Charles Martin** as the ASETS Technician and **Margaret McLeod-Norris** as the new HR Coordinator.

No stranger to the Inuvialuit Corporate Group, the new CEDO Manager is **Sue McNeil**, formerly with IDC. Late flash - **Jiri Raska** is the new CEDO Project Coordinator.

IDC welcomes **Cindy Kangegana** as the Administrative Assistant for the interim; and **Erin (Joe) Baldwin** as Accounts Receivable/Accounts Payable Clerk.

Departures include **Brenda Ittungna**, RHSW Coordinator; **Jeanie Bennett**, HR Administrative Assistant; **Matilda Debastien**, AR/AP Clerk, IDC; and **James Thorbourne**, IDC President.

ICRC's Calendar Corrections

ICRC would like to note 2 mistakes in its 2011 calendar. In the month of February, the photo caption of Kitigaaryuit is incorrect. It should be Kuuguryuaq. In March, the distance noted (274.32 miles) should have read 274.32 **metres** (300

yards). ICRC sincerely regrets the embarrassment these mistakes may have caused. Please correct your calendar.

Inuvialuit Business List

This is an important reminder to all businesses on the Inuvialuit Business List. Please inform IRC of any changes to contact information - contact person, mailing address, business address, telephone, fax, email address or website. For more information, contact **April Bourke**, CCBA Manager, at 867.777.7041 or fax 867.777.2135 or abourke@irc.inuvialuit.com.

Are You a Registered Inuvialuit Beneficiary?

If you are Inuvialuit and over 18, don't forget to register with IRC's Deputy Enrollment Registrar. A mailing list is generated for all issues of *IRC Board Summary*, the mailing of *Elders Benefit Payment* and beneficiaries' annual *Distribution Payment*. Don't wait till the last minute!

As well, if you have turned 18 and living in the Inuvialuit communities, don't forget to enroll with your community corporation.

Change of Address ... Keep in Touch!

Distribution cheques are issued to beneficiaries every May. If you have moved recently or are living at another address, contact IRC's Deputy Enrollment Registrar. Please don't wait till the last minute to advise IRC of your change of address. Do it when you move! ■

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