



Alaskan Lagniappe

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Building Social and Economic Equality and a Healthy Environment

From the Executive Director :

SHARING RESOURCES!

- Need Office Furniture?
- Need Volunteers?
- Need Advertising?
- Need Event help?

Share your "Needs" on our Face Book Page "Alaska Community Share" and we'll share the word!



The other 3 "R"s

- **RINSE** - before recycling that plastic container get rid of food residue
- **REMOVE** - tops and lids- water bottles, milk jug lids, etc. These are not recyclable.
- **RESIST** - tossing in items guessing if they "might" be recycled -no paper plates, no paper milk cartons coated in wax.
- Check out www.muni.org/Departments/SWS/recycle for more tips!

www.alaskacommunityshare.org

This quarter has been a good one at Alaska Community Share. We have seen some great participation from our member charities and workplace partners at events, such as the Community Awareness Fair held in early December, and in making plans for expanding the federation and our access to new campaigns around Alaska.

As the holiday season comes to a close, please remember that application time will soon be upon us, and start gathering this year's application materials together. Charities will need their audits/financial accountability statements, IRS Form 990, annual reports, and recent IRS Affirmation Letters.

On the next page, please check out some thoughts from our volunteer, Jennifer Sherwin, about Sharing and the lagniappe (that little something extra). It's a great message and I think her article reflects values that many of us hold.

One of the new projects in the works for Alaska Community Share, that I'm very excited about, is a planned club at the University of Alaska that will be involved with supporting our federation, and volunteering for our member charities. If anyone would like to hear more about this club, please email or call the office, and I'm glad to chat about it.

Thank you all for your involvement with Alaska Community Share, and I look forward to helping you all accomplish the great work you do for our neighbors across Alaska.

Sincerely,

Edward Bos

Mending Our Ways, B-4-U-BUY

Many of our grand parents knew about being frugal and conserving every possible resource. They lived it. Out of necessity. Or they did without.

Now, it's all too often we buy what we think we need, and toss out what was broken, stained, or torn. We've been lured into a disposable lifestyle. Commercials seduce us to spend our way into a fashionable debt. It's not the only way.



WWII homefront slogan from 1940's

You know someone who enjoys the challenge of being thrifty and creative, who has the vision take old, used, found, items and transform into something useful and lovely.

Celebrate and share these talents. It fosters a great sense of contentment with a fresh attitude. Building resilience never goes out of style.

- Share Your Abilities
- Share Your Resources
- Share Your Willingness

Connecting Donors with their passions

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Justice
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Environment
Life Challenges
27
Opportunities
to connect

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State of Alaska
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Fax: 907-278-4976
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Pledge Money, Time, and Expertise

“525,600 minutes - how do you measure, measure a year?

In daylight, in sunsets, in midnights, in cups of coffee.

In inches, in miles, in laughter, in strife.”

- From RENT, “Seasons of Love”

Most of the time we all come up a little short on something. Sleep. Energy. Patience. Time. Ideas. Daylight. Money. Solutions. All are precious commodities. Which is easiest for you to spare?

When you come into some type of good

Be an agent of change, through acts of purposeful altruism



Carolyn “Linny “ Pacillo left a great legacy of generosity in many ways, and was one of the Parking Fairies

fortune, like the Alaska Dividend, or a Leap Day. What will you do with this little “extra”? The extra time that comes this year of 366 days is an extra 1,440 minutes.

Sharing resources and connections can help meet the need and fill in the gaps. Have you considered becoming a board member? Board members lend valuable expertise to organizations. Offer your willingness and abilities whenever you can, and encourage those you work with, or do business with to also participate.

Payroll giving is always the most efficient way to raise funds for those who count on donor support. A steady stream of reliable funds, in the form of the pledged check that shows up in the mail means that business can carry on and services to clients can be delivered.

Thank you for your pledges.

Upcoming Events

Sun Jan 1	New Year's Day
Fri Jan 6	ACS Board Retreat
Mon Jan 16	MLK, Jr Holiday
Fri Jan 20	Muni OEM--EOC Brown Bag meeting "Resolve to be Ready "
Tue Feb 14	Valentine's Day
Sat Feb 18	Walk for Warmth
Mon Feb 20	Presidents Day
Fri Feb 24	Muni OEM-EOC Brown Bag meeting "Pet Emergency Preparedness"
Thu Mar 10	Daylight Saving Time Begin
Tue Mar 20	Spring Begins
Mon Mar 26	Seward's Day