

KONIAG EDUCATION  
FOUNDATION  
6927 OLD SEWARD  
HWY STE. 103  
ANCHORAGE, AK  
99518

Inside this issue:

Congratulations!	1
Thomas Murphy Retires	2
Why Does KEF Need Donations?	3
Other Scholarships Opportunities	3
KEF has a new Website—Thank you PCR	3
KEF Mission and Board of Directors	4
Glenn Godfrey Scholarship Deadline is August 10, 2005	4
Thank You to our Donors! Without You, We Wouldn't Exist	4
Contact Us!	4

# KONIAG

## EDUCATION FOUNDATION



Volume 1, Issue 1

July 2005

*Mission Statement: To Help Our People Achieve their Potential Through Education*

### Congratulations to Our Graduates!

In the 2004/2005 school year, 129 students received funding from KEF. Of these scholarship recipients, KEF graduates majored in fields from physical therapy to rural development. Most people who apply for funding from KEF continue to receive scholarships throughout their entire educational career. We are extremely excited that the Koniag region has so many shareholders and descendants who are succeeding in education.

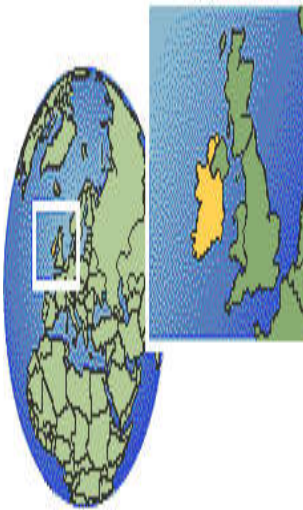


Shauna Hegna, Sharon Anderson and Sarah Lukin graduated with a Masters in of Rural Development from UAF

*Congratulations to KEF recipients Sarah Lukin, Mary Pavloff, Alberta Jones, and Tracey Olsen.*

KEF wants to stay in contact with students after they've graduated or completed training so that we can alert you of internships and job opportunities with Koniag, Inc., their subsidiaries, and other companies in and out of the state of Alaska. If you are past student of KEF, please email us your current address or email and we will keep you informed of business opportunities. Make sure you let us know when you graduate with your degree so that KEF can send you a great graduation gift.

You can email us at [kef@alaska.com](mailto:kef@alaska.com) or call us toll free at 888-562-9093.



## Saying Goodbye to Thomas Murphy

Most of you know Thomas Murphy as the voice at the other end of the phone when you call the Koniag Education Foundation. That's because Tom served as KEF's Executive Director for the past seven years and just retired in September 2004. After his many years of serving as the Executive Director of Koniag's non-profit, he decided to pursue life as a professor at UAA. Being the adventurer that he is, Tom and his family recently moved to Dublin, Ireland.

We are extremely grateful to Tom for his many years of service as well as his on-going dedication to KEF and its cause. Tom continues to serve on KEF's Development Committee and has been the driving force in the grant-writing process to raise funds for a Development Director position at KEF. Over the years, many of you have come to find that not only is Tom dedicated to Alaska Native education statewide, he is also individually supportive of every shareholder or descendant who has contacted the office.

***“Tom was instrumental in beginning the ANCSA Education Consortium.”***

Tom was instrumental in beginning the ANCSA Education Consortium. This consortium is made up of every one of the 13 Regional Corporation Education Foundations. The consortium shares information regarding scholarship opportunities for Alaska Natives throughout the entire state of Alaska. Through the Consortium, all of the Foundations benefit as they will be able to attract larger donors who are interested in effecting education state-wide instead of each region lobbying for funds for their small constituencies. The Consortium is supported by the First Alaskans Foundation in its efforts to pool the resources of all of the regions state-wide to accomplish the common goal of providing education and opportunities for Alaska Natives.

We thank you, Tom, for your unwavering support and wish you the luck of the Irish in your travels!

The opening picture on KEF's new website, built by PCR. You can view it yourself by going to [www.koniag.com](http://www.koniag.com) and clicking on Education Foundation in the menu listing. Click the Koniag Education Foundation again, and you're there.



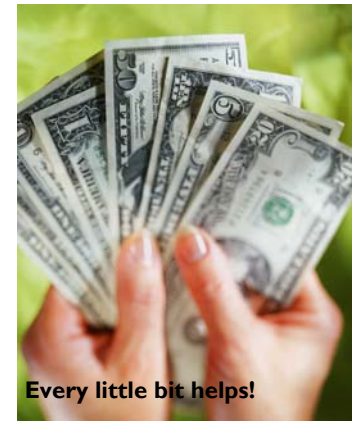
## Why Does KEF Need Donations?

### Doesn't KEF receive all of its funding from Koniag, Inc. every year?

Koniag, Inc. established KEF to act as the nonprofit that would distribute funding for scholarships to their shareholders. However, just like any subsidiary of Koniag's, KEF is expected to stand on its own two feet and generate donations of its own. While Koniag has been patient with the growth of KEF, they did not intend to be the sole supporters of the foundation indefinitely. This is why it is important for the people who care about KEF and its cause to donate.

Koniag, Inc. established a \$5million endowment for KEF to pay scholarships out of, but this funding does not address the costs of operating KEF such as rent, electricity, postage, staff, and funding for education programs and fundraising efforts.

These are costs that KEF needs to start generating income to pay on its own. If you would like to donate to KEF and support our mission, "To help our people achieve their potential through education," you may send donations to Koniag Education Foundation, 6927 Old Seward Hwy., Ste. 103, Anchorage, AK 99518, or contact us at 1-888-562-9093 for more information. **ALL DONATIONS ARE TAX DEDUCTIBLE!**



Every little bit helps!

## Other Scholarship Opportunities—AIGC

The American Indian Graduate Center (AIGC) is dedicated to building a better tomorrow for Indian people. They are creating successive generations of American Indian citizens prepared to participate in the constructive revitalization of their respective communities through scholarships and opportunities.

You may contact AIGC to find out more about scholarships for **graduates**, internships and mentorships at:

American Indian Graduate Center  
4520 Montgomery Blvd. NE Suite 1B  
Albuquerque, NM 87109  
(505) 881-4584  
1-800-628-1920 -Toll Free  
Online at [www.aigc.com](http://www.aigc.com)

***The following link is an excellent resource to use in searching for many different scholarship opportunities from many different nationwide companies. If you are interested in attending school and would like to pursue scholarship opportunities, go to:***

**<http://www.aigc.com/other-funding-opportunities/scholarships.html>**

## KEF has a new website!

Thanks to excellent work by **Rob** of Professional Computing Resources (PCR), KEF has a new website!

PCR is a subsidiary of Koniag Development Corp. based in Grand Rapids, Michigan. They design and build cutting-edge telecommunications and data management software. Koniag acquired PCR in April 2004 and they are the telecom industries premier supplier of multi-function telemanagement software. PCR's leadership and positive innovative product offerings position the company for long-term success and profitability.

Gerald Barber, the President of PCR, was attending a meeting at Koniag's offices last winter when he offered to have PCR help KEF build and host a website of our own to better maintain communications with Koniag shareholders and descendants.

You can currently access our completed website at [www.koniag.org](http://www.koniag.org) and clicking on the name "Koniag Education Foundation". Our permanent location will soon be [www.koniageducation.org](http://www.koniageducation.org).



KONIAG EDUCATION  
FOUNDATION  
6927 OLD SEWARD HWY STE. 103  
ANCHORAGE, AK 99518

Phone: (907) 562-9093  
Fax: (907) 562-9023  
E-mail: kef@alaska.com

**We're on the Web!**  
**www.koniag.com**

*To help our people achieve their potential through education.*

The Koniag Education Foundation was established by Koniag, Inc. in 1993. KEF is a 501 (c)(3) non-profit organization founded to promote post secondary education for Alaska Natives who are Koniag shareholders or descendants. There are approximately 3,500 shareholders and descendants who are eligible to apply for scholarships and grants to further their education and obtain careers or degrees.

**In the past ten years, KEF has awarded a total of \$1,617,525 to shareholders and descendants.**

The Koniag Education Foundation Board of Directors serves on a voluntary basis and receives no compensation for their service. The Board firmly believes that educating our people greatly enhances the quality of life in the communities in which they live.

**Current Board Members:**

- William Anderson, Jr.**—President
- Ronda Turner**—Vice President
- Desiree Cronin-Tallman**—Secretary/ Treasurer
- Edward Ward**
- Sharon Anderson**
- Laurie Fagnani**
- Edna Matthew**
- Allen Nick Heitman**—student board representative

- Uwe Gross**
- Archbishop Frank Hurley**
- Michael Pestrikoff**
- Lorena Skonberg**

**Development Committee Members:** Jerome Selby and Thomas Murphy

**Staff Members:** Tyan Selby- Exec. Director and Stephanie Unger-Exec. Assistant

**Glenn Godfrey Scholarship—deadline August 10, 2005**

Glenn Godfrey is recognized in Kodiak, Alaska, the Pacific Northwest, and across the nation for his sensible, even-handed, and inspired leadership. The Glenn Godfrey Memorial Scholarship recognizes Glenn’s desire to foster young people’s leadership skills. The Godfrey family and Koniag, Inc. challenge young people to commit themselves to excellence and service. KEF thanks the Godfrey family for their continuous support and donations for this program.

The Glenn Godfrey Memorial Scholarship awards one \$5,000 scholarship a year to help a young person reach beyond him or her-self to contribute to the communities in which they live.

**Who is eligible for the Glenn Godfrey Memorial Scholarship?**

Any Koniag shareholder or descendant of a Koniag shareholder who has completed at least one full year of college studies with a 2.5 or better grade point average, and has at least one full year remaining to earn an undergraduate degree (undergraduate scholarships are awarded under this program).

**You may download an application from [www.Koniag.com](http://www.Koniag.com) or contact us at [kef@alaska.com](mailto:kef@alaska.com).**

**Without You, We Wouldn’t Exist!**

Thank you to our fabulous donors over the past year. Your contributions have allowed KEF to continue operating and to become more effective at our goal of reaching Koniag shareholders and descendants with educational opportunities and fundraising! You should be proud of your contribution—we are!

**Major supporters in FY 2005 were**

- |                                                                     |                                                               |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Koniag, Inc.</b> —our largest supporter                          | <b>Professional Computing Resources</b> (a Koniag subsidiary) |
| <b>Integrated Concepts and Research Corp</b> ( a Koniag subsidiary) | <b>Alaska USA</b>                                             |
| <b>AK Permanent Capital Management</b>                              | <b>Keybank of Alaska</b>                                      |
| <b>Dementieff Promotions</b>                                        | <b>Exxon</b>                                                  |
| <b>Greg Young</b>                                                   | <b>Ribelin Lowell</b>                                         |
| <b>Uwe and Cliona Gross</b>                                         | <b>Chris and Nancy Johnson</b>                                |
| <b>Sharon Anderson</b>                                              | <b>Nathan Zuber</b>                                           |
|                                                                     | <b>Rachel Kane</b>                                            |
|                                                                     | <b>Will and Jill Anderson</b>                                 |
|                                                                     | <b>Jim Dunham</b>                                             |
|                                                                     | <b>Northrim Bank</b>                                          |
|                                                                     | <b>Lois Fields</b>                                            |

***Thank you for your contribution to the future of our people and our communities!***