

# A Welcome from the Foundation

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Dear Supporter,

On behalf of the Doyon Foundation board and staff, we are pleased to present you with our 2009 annual report. The past year, with all of its successes and challenges, marked the Foundation's 20th year of operations, and this annual report is a celebration of both our history and our future.

Like most companies and organizations across the country, we faced a challenging year economically. While our fundraising efforts and donor contributions remained strong, the turbulent market conditions took a toll on our endowment, resulting in a significant investment loss.

Despite the financial challenges of the past year, we continue to be optimistic and we continue to hold true to our mission of providing funding to help our students further their education. During the 2008 – 2009 fiscal year, we awarded a total of \$578,511 in scholarships to 406 recipients. You can see a full list of our 2008 – 2009 scholarship recipients, and even read a profile on one of our current students, later in this annual report.

During the past year, we also celebrated the graduation of more than 60 of our students. We know that each and every one of them will go on to accomplish great things, and we are pleased to have played a role in their success.

Our all-volunteer alumni association continued their efforts during 2008 – 2009 by hosting events, assisting students with scholarship applications, and delivering snacks to students during finals week. Our hope is that this group will continue to grow and be active in supporting our students and each other.

Moving on to communications and technology news, we launched a new blog this summer, continued



our e-newsletter, and kept our Web site up to date. Currently, we are working to transition to a 100 percent online scholarship application process, which will ultimately be more efficient for us and for our students.

Of course, this is all made possible through the support of our incredible donors, including Doyon, Limited – our largest and longest-running donor. We are also deeply grateful for the support of our individual and corporate donors, including those who supported this year's Morris Thompson Memorial Golf Classic, which raised more than \$60,000 for our scholarship programs. Keep an eye out for information about next year's event, which marks our 10th annual golf classic.

We hope you enjoy reading more about our past year's efforts – and our plans for the future – in this annual report, which is all about Celebrating 20 Years of Student Success!

Sincerely,

Doris Miller Executive Director

Dawn Dinwoodie 2008 – 2009 Board President



# About Doyon Foundation

The Doyon Foundation was established in 1989 by Doyon, Limited, the regional Native corporation for Interior Alaska. As the private foundation for Doyon, Limited, we serve the educational and cultural needs of Doyon's shareholders and their children. As a 501(c) (3) charitable organization, our mission is to provide the highest level of support to shareholders and their children by providing post-secondary scholarships that include basic, competitive and vocational; advancing traditional Native knowledge; and increasing Native student performance levels.

Doyon Foundation Staff



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# 20-Year Timeline





Doyon Foundation established by Doyon, Limited to promote the economic, social, cultural and personal well-being of all

Kathy Mayo hired as executive director.

Kathy Mayo leaves Foundation; Miranda Wright hired as executive director.

- Doyon, Limited contributed \$2.6 million, establishing Foundation endowment.
- Full-time awards increase from \$250 to \$300 per semester. Part-time awards increase from \$100 to \$150 per semester.



- **EARNEST Partners hired as** new endowment portfolio manager.
- Foundation established the first graduate scholarships; five awards of \$7,000 each.
- Foundation worked with the Fairbanks Police Department, University of Alaska Fairbanks Tanana Valley Campus (TVC) and Alyeska Section 29 to establish the Law Enforcement Academy at
- Endowment reached \$3.6 million. Doyon, Limited contributed an additional \$400,000 since the \$2.6 million donation in 1997.
- Foundation awarded \$325,317 to 352 students.

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Doyon Foundation received a \$400,000 gift from ARCO Alaska, creating the Foundation's first endowment, the Natural Resources Scholarship Fund.



Approximately 168 Doyon Foundation scholarship recipients have graduated. Out of those:

- 60 percent pursuing career through employment or graduate school.
- 48 percent working in field of choice.
- Athabascan Heritage Collection Spirit Keeper Series introduced in support of Foundation scholarships. The wool blankets, manufactured by Pendleton Woolen Mills, were designed by Doyon, Limited shareholders.
- Project Alaska Indigenous Peoples' Academy established to develop educational curriculum materials that address the learning and teaching styles of Alaska Natives, while preserving traditional knowledge.

Morris Thompson Scholarship established. The Foundation hosted a retirement dinner for Morris that raised approximately \$120,000 - one of the largest fundraisers in



Foundation established the Morris Thompson Memorial Golf Classic. Another "out of the park" success.

- Foundation managed the North American Basketball Tournament as a fundraiser; held an annual \$10,000 raffle that netted \$33,000 annually for the scholarship program.
- Foundation awarded \$331,135 to 369 students.
- Foundation celebrated 55 graduates.
- Endowment reached \$4.3 million.
- Full-time awards increased from \$300 to \$400 per semester. Part-time awards increased from \$150 to \$250 per semester.





- Endowment at \$5.3 million.
  - Project Enhance began; a new education grant awarded to the Association of Interior Educators. The professional development project focused on increasing the number of certified Alaska Native/American Indian students who have an associate's or bachelor's degree and who desire to become certified teachers.
- \$291,532 awarded to 460 students.
- Doyon Foundation shifts focus to providing more direct services and support to students. Foundation works with Inspire Consulting to conduct focus groups in six communities to discuss challenges, opportunities and needs with Doyon shareholders.
- Advanced College Credit award instituted for high school students taking college courses.

- \$615,640 awarded to 434 students, bringing scholarship totals to more than \$4 million to 2,300+ students since inception.
- Sharon McConnell accepted position with Doyon, Limited; Doris Miller served as interim executive director.
- Updated long-term vision developed:
   Achieve the future through education and cultural values, by providing an opportunity for every shareholder to attain their educational/certification goals; giving every shareholder the opportunity to learn their own language and culture; and attaining 100 percent graduation/completion rates with high scholastic achievement.
- Mission and purpose updated:
  - Mission: Provide the highest level of support to shareholders and their children by providing postsecondary scholarships that include basic, competitive and vocational; advancing traditional Native knowledge and increasing Native student performance levels.
  - Purpose: Promote self-reliance and the economic and social well-being of Doyon's shareholders and their children, and to strengthen Native culture and heritage through education.
- Martha Demoski honored as educator of the year.

Miranda Wright leaves
 Foundation; Sharon
 McConnell hired as executive director.

Foundation awarded \$349,410 to 283 students.

Foundation celebrated 34 graduates.

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Foundation awarded \$308,094 to 311 students.

Foundation celebrated 34 graduates.

 Nee Ts'e Neyh (We all give/ help) donor campaign instituted to raise additional scholarship funding.

Endowment reached \$4.4 million.

\$338,822 awarded to students.







\$319,909 awarded to 360 students.

Doyon Foundation Alumni Association established to support students, build relationships, network with other alumni and give back to the Foundation.

New scholarship plan instituted, including:

- Increased scholarship funding
  - Basic award amounts increased to \$800 for full-time and \$400 for part-time.
  - \$400 short-term vocational scholarship instituted.
  - Competitive scholarship awards increased by \$20,000.
- Increased communicationE-newsletter launched.
- Improved technology
  - Web site improvements, including online donations, online scholarship application process and personal student accounts.
- Linda Evans honored as Doyon Foundation educator of the year.

Foundation board became a volunteer board by voting to eliminate meeting fees.

Rudy Hamilton honored as educator of the year.



# Celebrating Scholarships

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During the 2008 – 2009 academic year, Doyon Foundation awarded \$578,511 in scholarships to 406 students.

Cynthia Adams Valorie Adams Kelly Albert Kayla Albert Starlagail Albert Katrina Albert Carol Alexie Lina Allen Marilyn Andon Royleen Andrews Margaret Andrews Mick Aney Randy Attla Amanda Attla Gareth Baker Deanna Balcolm Maxine Barrera Brandon Bartholme Tina Bartlett Joanne Beck Shigone Beighle Shaelene Bennis Janet Bifelt Rochelle Bifelt Rachel Bifelt LeAnn Bifelt Edwin Bifelt Stephanie Blue Adeline Bolz Kimberly Bower Gregory Bringhurst Karen Brooks Raymond Brooks Roberto Burgess Chelsie Burgett Jennal Burgett Ashley Burgett Tyger Burk-Hand Lisa Bush Porscha Bustillo Cheryl Cadzow Lance Cahoon Dinwoodie Matthew Calhoun Cortnie Campbell Christie Carlo Norman Carlo Shayla Carney Laurie Carroll Nadine Carroll Bonnie Carroll-Ginnis Codi Chambers Janelle Chapin Kelsey Charlie Shannon Charlie Alexandra Charos Melanie Charos Seeyaa Charpentier Felecia Chase Falcon Chase Iris Chiago Stacey Chiu Madison Christiansen Frica Cleaver Andrea Clemens

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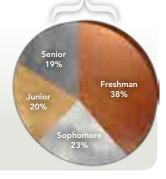
# Degree Types

Our scholarship recipients were pursuing degrees ranging from associate's to doctorate degrees.



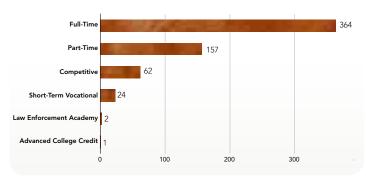
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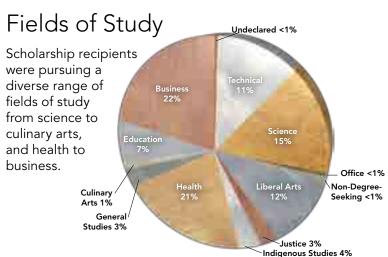
Our undergraduate scholarship recipients included freshmen, sophomores, juniors and seniors.



## Award Types

Our 2008 – 2009 scholarship awards included advanced college credit awards to high school students taking college-level courses, basic scholarships for full-time and part-time students, short-term vocational scholarships, competitive scholarships, and scholarships for students wishing to attend the Law Enforcement Academy at the University of Alaska Fairbanks' Tanana Valley Campus.





# Doyon Foundation Student Profile: Cecelia Grant

Doyon Foundation student Cecelia Grant, who is from Koyukuk, recently returned from spending a year in Yakima, Wash., where she was studying to become a physician assistant through the MEDEX Physician Assistant Training Program at the University of Washington School of Medicine. She is now completing her clinical rotations in Fairbanks, and her family has moved from Koyukuk to be with her. After completing the program in May 2011, Grant plans to return home to work in a rural hub health clinic.

For Grant, the most difficult part of her education was leaving her family, including her husband and daughters, to attend school in Washington.

"I tried to talk to my girls a couple times a day and, thanks to the Internet, my sister e-mailed me pictures of them. I reminded myself that the year would go by very quickly, and I used my busy schedule to keep me from getting too lonesome," she said. "I also learned to rely on my fellow classmates. Many of us left our families behind for the didactic year, and we learned to support each other."



"I feel more secure knowing there is an organization such as Doyon Foundation that is dedicated to assisting students financially. It's very costly attending any type of school, and the stress of worrying how you're going to pay for it and continue supporting your family can be overwhelming. This year, Doyon Foundation has done a lot to relieve some of that stress," Grant said.

In addition to Doyon Foundation, Grant said she was "astounded" by the support she received from the community of Koyukuk, other Native organizations and from her family.

"Through determination, I applied for and was awarded a lot of scholarships. It's possible for students to achieve this, and there are a lot of people out there willing to assist you," said Grant, who is the daughter of Benedict and Eliza Jones, and the granddaughter of the late Josie and Little Peter.



# Celebrating Communications

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This year, Doyon Foundation took its communication to a new level with the launch of its new blog at www.doyonfoundationblog.com. The blog features up-to-date information on scholarship programs, training opportunities, career information, award nominations, job openings, internships, student profiles, technology news, tips for success and more. Visitors can also post comments, search for articles of interest, link to other Web sites, and subscribe to receive blog updates via e-mail.

The Foundation's Web site and quarterly e-newsletter also continue to be resources for Foundation students and supporters.

# Celebrating Alumni

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During the past year, the Doyon Foundation Alumni Association has primarily focused on building a strong core group of members in the Fairbanks area. That group has been integral in providing student support during the 2008 – 2009 academic year, including co-hosting student dinners, calling students with reminders of events and deadlines, delivering snacks to University of Alaska Fairbanks students during finals week, and matching students with alumni mentors upon request.

Looking to the coming year, the association intends to focus on continuing to branch out, attracting new members and growing its membership outside of Fairbanks. At the same time, the association plans to explore new and creative ways to support students across the state and country, while continuing to support Fairbanks-area students. The association welcomes ideas from both students and alumni.

Future areas of focus for the alumni association include fostering enduring relationships between alumni and creating opportunities to network and support one another.

# Celebrating Graduates

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Doyon Foundation celebrates the individuals who made the exciting transition from students to alumni during the 2008 – 2009 academic year. Congratulations to our newest graduates!

#### 2008 – 2009 Graduates

| Valorie Adams  |
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| Marilyn Andon  |
| Randy Attla    |
| Maxine Barrera |
| (Yaska)        |
| Flora Bergman  |
| Johnson        |

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Kimberly Bower (George) Cheryl Cadzow Katie Charlie Raymond Clock Julianna Clock Lindsey Collins Adam Demientieff Valerie Dewey
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James Nathaniel, Jr.
Aaron Peters
Kelsey Potdevin
Carol Shewfelt
Kathy (Hishinlai')
Sikorski
Sharity Sommer
Dara Stevens

Tamara Thomas Shannon Thornton Dorothy Vent Cassandra Weter

### High School Graduates

Chalisa Attla

Daniel Kokrine Layla Logsdon

Katie Denton

Tenika Peter Casey Roberts Samantha Sam McKenzie Schmidt

Carrol Lefevour

Ashley Sharp Marlenis Sosa-Gillen Natasha Stephenson Ariel Turner

Monica Thomas

Alyssa Wiehl Kyle Worl

# A Look Back at Our Alumni

Doyon Foundation welcomes updates from our alumni. Please send your photos and information to foundation@doyon.com or call 907.459.2048.

### Lee DeWilde

Degree obtained: Bachelor's of Science in

Mechanical Engineering

Year graduated: 2004

School: University of Alaska Fairbanks

Success story:

Currently working as a pipeline maintenance engineer with Alyeska Pipeline Service Company in Fairbanks.











### Tom Berreth

Degree obtained: Associate's degree and

Bachelor's degree in Interdisciplinary Studies

Year graduated: 2002 and 2005

School: San Jacinto Community

College and University of Houston – Downtown

Success story:

Currently working as a senior analyst in distribution planning with Continental Airlines in Houston, Texas.

# Celebrating Sponsors



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Doyon Foundation held its ninth annual Morris Thompson Memorial Golf Classic on June 18 – 19, 2009 at Chena Bend Golf Course on Fort Wainwright in Fairbanks, Alaska. This year's classic attracted 25 teams for a total of 100 players. At the end of the day, we walked away with a net income of \$60,661 – all to go toward our competitive scholarship program. Next year will mark our 10th annual golf classic, and you'll be hearing much more about that in the coming months.

# 2009 Morris Thompson Memorial Golf Classic Sponsors

Doyon Foundation extends our deep gratitude to the sponsors who supported this year's Morris Thompson Memorial Golf Classic.

- Alaska Communications Systems
- Alaska Airlines, in-kind donor
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# Celebrating Donors

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### Corporate Donors

Doyon Foundation extends our deep gratitude to the generous corporate donors who supported the Foundation's efforts during the 2008 – 2009 fiscal year. We would especially like to thank our largest corporate donor, Doyon, Limited.

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Design Alaska

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#### \$500 - \$999

Alaska National Insurance Company Arthur J. Gallagher Risk Management Services Design Collaborative Richards, Johnson and Granberry, P.C.

ZRB Resources, LLC

#### Up to \$500

EARNEST Partners, LLC Interior Regional Housing Authority Guess and Rudd, P.C.

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Tyonek Native Corporation Frontier Alaska Alaska Airlines Grant Creations SunShine Custom Promotions, LLC Lavelle's Bistro

## Nee Ts'e Neyh Donors

Nee Ts'e Neyh, which means "we all give or help" in the Athabascan Koyukon language, is one of Doyon Foundation's major fundraising efforts. By making an annual donation, our Nee Ts'e Neyh members enable the Foundation to provide competitive, basic and vocational scholarships to part-time and full-time higher education students. Our generous Nee Ts'e Neyh members for 2008 – 2009 include:

David Baggett
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#### Individual Donors

In addition to our corporate donors and Nee Ts'e Neyh members, Doyon Foundation also relies on the generous support of our individual donors. Our 2008 – 2009 individual donors include:

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To join our family of donors, please visit www.doyonfoundation.com or contact the Foundation at foundation@doyon.com or 907.459.2048.

The donors listed in this annual report contributed to the Doyon Foundation during the 2008 – 2009 fiscal year, which ran from July 1, 2008 – June 30, 2009.

# Donor Profile: Doyon, Limited

Doyon, Limited established Doyon Foundation 20 years ago to assist Doyon shareholders by providing scholarships for higher education degrees and vocational training. With that as the primary goal, Doyon committed annual funding for scholarships and for costs associated with distributing those funds. In addition, the Doyon board made the commitment to create a \$10 million endowment in 1998.

"This is a significant commitment for a very important purpose. A purpose I fully support and, having been with Doyon for 22 years, I believe the Foundation has handled this responsibility in a professional and cost-effective manner," said Doyon, Limited President and CEO Norman L. Phillips, Jr.

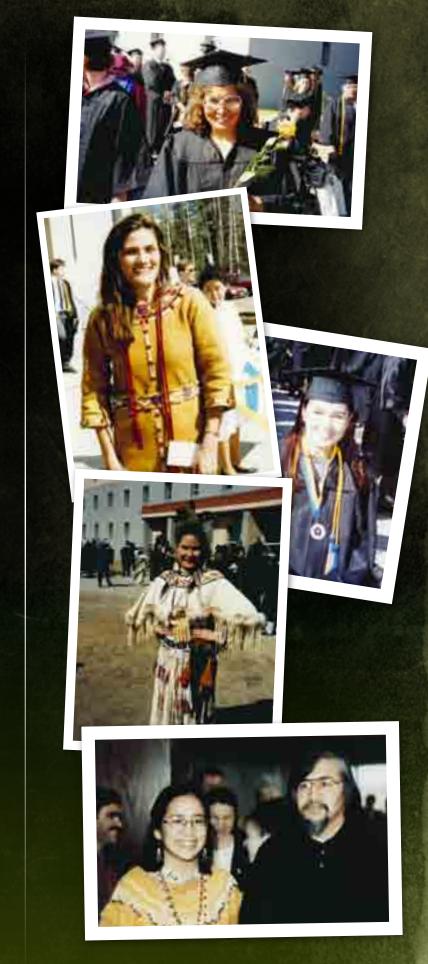
According to Robert Brean, the chair of the Doyon, Limited board of directors during 2009, "The Foundation represents a pool of talented shareholders that are motivated to continue their education and ultimately apply themselves and their learned experience in the professional world. Ultimately, it promotes educated and trained shareholders that will make meaningful contributions and provide positive role models to our society."

Phillips said Doyon's primary focus is on its shareholder value proposition, which is comprised of the values that Doyon shareholders receive from the stock they own, including jobs, dividends, scholarships and affiliation.

"I believe the Foundation has an important role in each of these areas as Doyon seeks to maximize its shareholder value proposition," Phillips said.

For example, in the area of jobs, Phillips said Doyon and the Foundation are working together on a new partnership with the University of Alaska Fairbanks and the Fairbanks Police Department to increase the number of Alaska Native police officers. In the area of dividends, the Foundation can continue to effectively utilize the funds Doyon provides. For scholarships, the Foundation can provide students with information about career opportunities within Doyon and Alaska, and offer scholarships in high-demand career areas. And when it comes to affiliation, the Foundation can develop the alumni-student mentoring program and establish programs on Native culture, traditional values and language.

"I look forward to working with the Foundation to incorporate its efforts and leadership in these areas," Phillips said.





### 2009 Educator of the Year

Rudolph "Rudy" Hamilton was honored as Doyon Foundation's 2009 Educator of the Year. The award recognizes a Doyon shareholder who has proven their devotion to helping direct the future through education, by promoting Alaska Native education and supporting Alaska Native students.

Hamilton, who was born and raised in Shageluk, is the son of Adolph Hamilton and Margaret Andulee Hamilton, and the grandson of paternal grandparents Joseph and Marsha Hamilton, and maternal grandparents Albert and Cecelia Phillips. Hamilton attended high school at Mt. Edgecumbe in Sitka until his senior year, when he transferred to West High School in Anchorage. He graduated from West in 1972.

Over the years, Hamilton has been an active member and leader within his community, serving on diverse organizations, including Four Rivers Mental Health Agency, the Governor's Mental Health Advisory Board, Shageluk City Council, Shageluk Tribal Council, the University of Alaska, and the Iditarod Area School District Board. Hamilton is also employed as the power plant operator for the Alaska Village Electric Cooperative.

According to his wife Joy, Hamilton is an "outstanding and devoted husband and father, honoring the teachings of his parents and grandparents by teaching his own children the importance of learning and carrying on cultural traditions."

Hamilton is also a positive role model for many young people in his village – taking the time to not only tell them about things, but to show them.

"He is a role model not just in word, but in deed. He has taken many young men under his wing, taught them survival and subsistence skills, and actively shares his values with them," Mrs. Hamilton said. "He's a strong believer that when you show kids things, it gives them a feeling of ownership. It's their land, heritage and history."

Hamilton also freely volunteers his time to support student projects. In the words of the youth Hamilton interacts with, he "has taught us about our land," "doesn't just tell us about things, he shows us," "makes us think about things," "is a very good listener," "tells stories about our ancestors from long ago," and "has helped me to understand who I am as an individual and member of this village."

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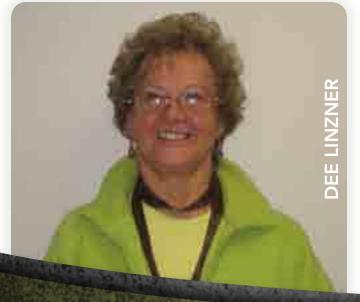
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### Volunteer Profile: Dee Linzner

Deanna "Dee" (Kokrine) Linzner, the daughter of Effie and Andrew Kokrine from Tanana, comes from a family with a history of strongly supporting Native education. In fact, the Effie Kokrine Charter School in Fairbanks was named for her mother. So it's no surprise that she is one of Doyon Foundation's longest-serving volunteers.

Since the Foundation was established in 1989, Linzner has offered her assistance whenever needed. For eight years, she has volunteered her time with the Morris Thompson Memorial Golf Classic, the Foundation's largest annual fundraiser. She can often be found at the classic handing out information, checking in players, answering questions and making people feel welcome and appreciated.

The long-time volunteer also helps deliver snacks to students at the University of Alaska Fairbanks during finals week. But she is probably most famous for her delicious moose soup, which she has made numerous times for Doyon Foundation's student dinners.

"Doyon Foundation is doing a great job opening up doors for students who might not otherwise have the opportunity to get an education. I believe in Doyon Foundation 100 percent," said Linzner, whose sister and nephews have benefited from the Foundation's scholarship program. "It's important for students to know they're not alone. Doyon Foundation offers support to students – both financial and moral support. They give encouragement to keep going."

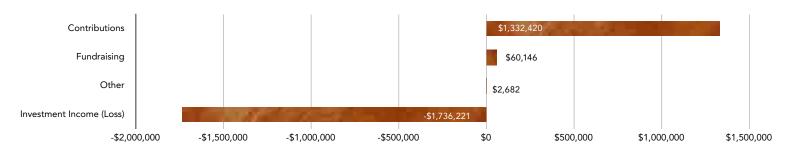
Looking back on the past 20 years, Linzner said one of the Foundation's most noteworthy milestones has been the increased number and amount of scholarships.

"When the Foundation first started, they didn't give out a lot of money, but every bit helps. Now, they're making more money available so more students can take advantage. That's their biggest accomplishment," she said.

Linzner was born and raised in Fairbanks, and is a graduate of Lathrop High School. She spent 14 years working for Doyon, Limited in the shareholder services department. She then retired for two years before returning to work part-time for Doyon Facilities. In her free time, she enjoys making jewelry, knitting scarves, visiting her cabin, four-wheeling and taking care of her grandson, Andrew.

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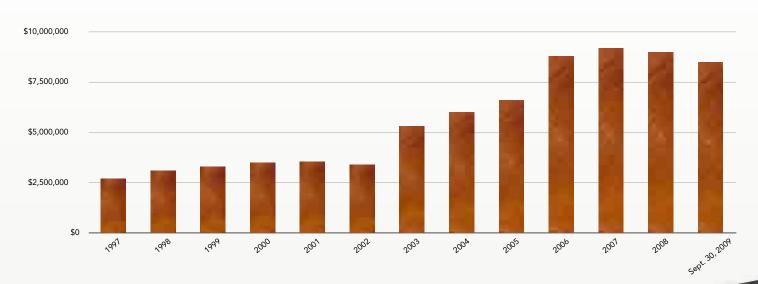
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#### **Endowment Growth**





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