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Goldbelt Buys Office Building in Portland, Oregon

On July 21, 1989, Goldbelt purchased the Willamette Block Office Building in downtown Portland, Oregon. The purchase price for the 38,500 gross square foot, four-story structure was \$1.2 million. The Willamette Block was purchased from Willamette Savings & Loan, which had foreclosed its mortgage on a tax shelter limited partnership that totally renovated the structure in 1983.

The Willamette Block Office Building is an official historic landmark and is located in the Yamhill Historic District of Portland's commercial core. It is three blocks from the Rouse Project, a 385,000 square foot office and retail complex anchored by Saks Fifth Avenue, to be opened in the Spring of 1990.

Prior to Goldbelt's acquisition, the building was 50% occupied with office and retail tenants. In the month since Goldbelt's purchase, the occupancy rate has increased to 71% of the approximately 30,000 square feet of net rental space. The new lessees include the Oregon State Bar Association and Portland's leading interior design firm, Associated Design. In addition, the University of Oregon, the building's principal tenant, has expanded its space to include an additional computer classroom and the Portland executive offices for the University's President.

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Tongass Reform Bill surrounds Goldbelt Lands with Wilderness Areas

On July 13, 1989, the U.S. House of Representatives passed H.R. 987, which designated certain lands in the Tongass National Forest as Wilderness Areas. Three areas would impact Goldbelt: the Chuck River Wilderness (124,539 acres), the Port Houghton-Sanborn Canal Wilderness (58,915 acres) and the Berners Bay Wilderness (46,135 acres).

The proposed Wilderness Areas at Chuck River and Port Houghton call for all of the Tongass (183,454 acres) immediately surrounding Goldbelt's lands at Hobart Bay to be taken out of the present multi-purpose uses planned by the U.S. Forest Service and locked up as a Wilderness Area. For many years, the U.S. Forest Service planned to have substantial portions of these areas put up for timber sale. The Chuck River area, in particular, is said by knowledgeable foresters to contain some of the best timber in Southeast Alaska.

Goldbelt, after being denied its land selections on Admiralty Island in 1978 by national environmental groups, selected land and timberland at Hobart Bay in 1971. While developing its Hobart Bay timber for harvesting, relying on the plans of the U.S. Forest Service to open up the adjacent Chuck River area of the Tongass for logging, Goldbelt constructed an entire town at Hobart Bay, including underground utilities, school, docks, loading facilities, transfer sites and roads. This large investment was intended not only as a means to log Goldbelt timber, but to

take advantage of planned U.S. Forest Service timber sales in neighboring Chuck River and Port Houghton.

The U.S. Forest Service had as late as 1988 completed cost sharing arrangements with Goldbelt so that areas of the proposed Chuck River Wilderness could be put up for competitive bidding. Goldbelt's strategic location relative to the planned timber sales would more than likely enable it to expand its timber harvest with purchases out of the Chuck River portion of the Tongass. At the very least, Goldbelt's investment in the Hobart Bay camp would be extended beyond 1992 when timber harvesting is expected to be completed.

According to Chairman Armstrong, adoption of H.R. 987's Wilderness Areas would substantially diminish the value of Goldbelt's investment at Hobart Bay. Chairman Armstrong commented that Goldbelt had been chased off Admiralty Island by the environmentalists. "In picking Hobart Bay timberlands for logging, Goldbelt had hoped to avoid the environmentalists' legislative programs to remove valuable timberlands in Alaska from productive use."

Joe Wilson, President of Goldbelt, indicated that the company would be making efforts immediately to express its concern to the Alaska delegation. "The selection of Hobart Bay as a logging site was just the first part of Goldbelt's multi-phased plan to engage in logging and timber activities in the

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Tongass. If the House Bill passes with areas set aside as Wilderness Areas, many of the reasons for having originally selected Hobart Bay will be dashed."

In addition to the Chuck River and Port Houghton Wilderness proposals, the House Bill includes the Berners Bay Wilderness, which is immediately adjacent to and east of Goldbelt's selection of 2,530 acres at Echo Cove.

According to Mr. Wilson, the House of Representatives' inclusion of many of the Wilderness Areas impacting

Goldbelt was accomplished at the last minute. "In the light of the March 24 Exxon oil spill, the environmentalists are feeling their political oats."

President Wilson made it clear that Goldbelt does not intend to oppose the provisions of the Bill affecting the fifty-year contracts between the U.S. Forest Service and Ketchikan Pulp Company and Alaska Pulp Corporation or any of the provisions of the Bill dealing with management of the Tongass and subsistence. "Goldbelt's interests in this legislation are specific to their existing land ownership and the promises that environmentalists made to us more than ten years ago that we would be left alone to enjoy the use of our ANCSA selections and adjacent timber sales without additional interference. The only proper use to which substantial portions of the Chuck River area could be made is timber harvesting, keeping in mind the legitimate concerns for fishery production. A lock up of Chuck River will deny American taxpayers of millions of dollars of potential revenues."

Goldbelt stevedores set record

Ray Peterson, Sr., Casinero Aceveda, Clifford See, Donald Williams, Robert Corpuz, Ray Peterson, Jr., Victor Ward, George Williams, Donald Dugaqua, William George, Paul Aceveda, Ken Merculief, Wayne Smallwood, Johnny Wilson, James Smallwood, Rick Daylo, Mac Corpuz, Willie Dugaqua, Fred Stevens, Barrington Smith, Elizabeth Young, John Day, Jr., Leon Aceveda, Philip Felipe, Lee George, David George, Jake Morris, Lance Willard, Donny Lano, Arron Bell, Royal Hill

Goldbelt shareholders employed by Westcoast Stevedoring (Klukwan, Inc.) recently set a new Klukwan, Inc. record for volume loaded on one shift on an export logging ship.

The *Orchis Island* arrived at Hobart Bay on July 17 at 5 p.m. The crew began loading bundles at 6:05 a.m. and worked a 12-hour shift. The final tally, according to boss Ray Peterson and "supercargo" Jan Dunbar, was 1,502,600 board feet.

Westcoast Stevedoring personnel believe this amount of timber is probably a record for *all* Southeast Alaska, also. Ray points out that the smaller average log size at Hobart means that more bundles must be lifted onto the ship per million board feet when comparing bundles lifted at other ports for the same given volume. In setting this record, 356 "lifts" or bundles were placed on the ship. The species mix was the usual 4:1 hemlock over spruce ratio.

A SHAREHOLDER'S BUSINESS

Uniglobe Gold Nugget Travel, Inc.

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Mary Ebona Harris, Raven/Beaver from Angoon, is the owner and manager of Juneau based Uniglobe Travel. Born and raised in Juneau, Mary went through the local school system. Her first job was in the salmon cannery near Sitka from 1967-69, where she demonstrated her managerial skills in the canning department as one of the section foremen.

She began working for Uniglobe as a junior agent in 1988 and later that year made the downpayment to purchase the company.

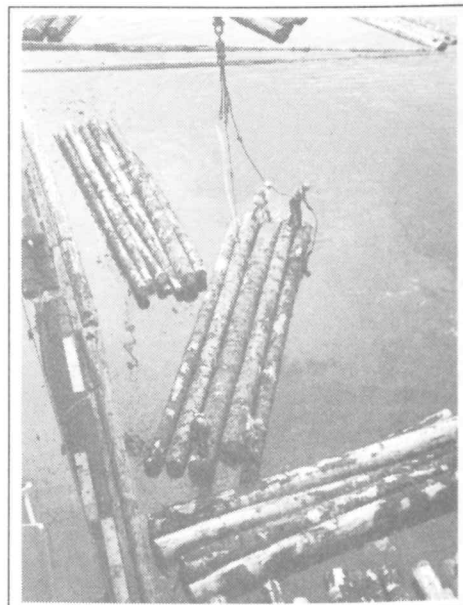
Juneau Uniglobe was the first Uniglobe to open in Alaska, part of a Pacific Northwest Region franchise. It opened in October, 1987. In addition to serving individuals, Juneau Uniglobe provides travel packages for corporations and government agencies such as the State of Alaska, Klukwan Forest Products, Sealaska, Huna Totem and Goldbelt.

The future looks bright for Mary Harris. She recently traveled to San Francisco to receive an award for sales from Uniglobe International, and she plans to expand her sales next year to include federal government agencies.

Goldbelt uses Ready Mail services, helps provide employment for handicapped

Goldbelt is contributing to the employment of developmentally disabled workers in the Juneau community by using the services of Ready Mail to mail out the *Shareholders Newsletter*. Ready Mail is managed by REACH, Incorporated. In addition to providing bulk mailing services as a postal subcontracting station, Ready Mail makes it possible for some of Juneau's handicapped residents to obtain training and find long-term employment in the community.

Goldbelt, Incorporated is pleased to support the work of this organization, and shareholders who know of someone who might qualify as a Ready Mail worker are encouraged to call the REACH office at 789-7673 for more information. REACH also offers a residential program with group homes, and provides respite care and "shared care" for families with developmentally disabled children and infants.



**1991 Shareholder
Committee:**

Seated (L-R),
Joanne Riley, Teresa
Germain, Jackie
Johnson. **Standing**
(L-R), Cynthia
Flood, Janet Harris,
George Goenett, Ada
Patterson, Carl
Nelson. **Not**
Pictured, Frank
Miyasato, Arce
Credo, Dorothy
Owen, Alfred
McKinley, James
Bell, and Kathy
Edwards, Nick
Nelson



"1991"

On February 3, 1988, the U.S. Congress enacted legislation amending ANCSA which we now know as "1991" amendments. The Goldbelt 1991 Shareholder Committee put together informational inserts which will appear in this newsletter beginning with this issue. Topics include "No Action," "Opt Out," "Dissenters," "Permanent Fund," "Recapitalization," "Settlement Trust," "Inheritance," "Elderly," "Non-Enrollment," "New-Borns."

Native students travel to Seattle with aid of Goldbelt Scholarship

Goldbelt, Incorporated contributed \$250 to help three Native students travel to Seattle with their classmates last May. The students attending the seventh-grade "self-contained" classroom at Marie Drake Middle School made the trip.

Their special education teacher, Becky Thomas, was concerned that the limited experiences of the students had resulted in a limited perspective, which "places limits on what these students

can expect of themselves, or what they think they can achieve." She planned the trip so that her six students could be exposed to experiences beyond Juneau and "broaden their awareness of the world around them."

The students earned much of the



money for the trip themselves selling hotdogs three days a week in the Marie Drake lunchroom.

Dear Goldbelt,

We rent-a-car then we got lost. Then we went to the Travelodge Motel. Then we went to the Space Needle. Then we went to a mall. I got to go to the bumper car. We got to go to the zoo. I saw a bear and a lion, tiger, snakes, and a gorilla. We went to Denny's. Then we got to go to Boeing and had fun. THANK YOU for the money.

Sincerely,
Jason Cadigan

Thank you for the money. We had a blast in Seattle it was so fun we went everywhere. And we got lost, I was excited to see my dad at the airport. I like the bumper cars the most.

Sincerely,
Tony Worrell

Thank you for the money and what you done. The first place I went to is the Seattle Center. The second place I went to the Bellvue Mall and the things I bought is two shirts two phones and sun glass. And then we when to the Hertz to rents a

van then we went to drive to Travel Motel then we went to Boeing then we toured all over Boeing then we went to the... We sew a mummy and a tee-pee, and we had ancestors in Seattle. And then we went to go take pictures of all of us. Then we went to the zoo we saw gorilla, bear, tigers, lions, monkeys, peacocks, zebras, apes, snakes. Every time we got up it would be about 6:30 then we were busy every minute. Then we went to eat at Marie Calender. The last day we went to the Seattle Center, the bumper cars then we went to Denny's to have dinner. Then we went to go to Lock.

Sincerely,
Julie James

Thank you for the money you guys gave us. We had a great time in Seattle to bad you guys did not come with us. We would have a "killer" time. We stayed at the Travelodge Motel. We drove around and went to Space Needle, Zoo, Pike Place Market, Boneing, Seattle Center, Chittenden Locks, Thomas Burke Museum, Restau-

rants, Aquarium, I had to go to the hospital I had an ear infection. We went shopping. We had a good time.

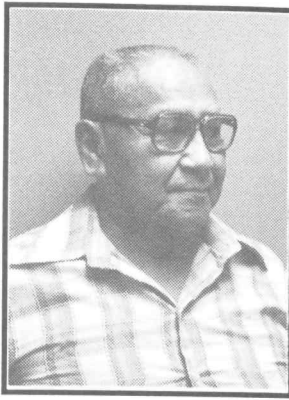
Love,
Inez

Thank you for the money. We stayed at the Travelodge Motel in Seattle. We went shopping, we drove around, we saw a mummy at the Thomas Burke Museum, we went in the bumper cars, we went to the zoo and saw gorilla bear, apes, snakes. We went to the space needle too. I had lot of fun.

Sincerely,
Bobby Vann

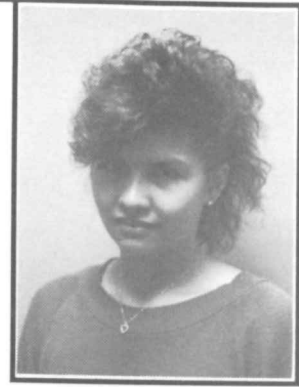
Thanks for the donation you gave us. I liked Seattle so much I did not want to leave. We went to the zoo. We saw a bear. I wish we did not have to leave. I had a good time with my class.

Sincerely,
Wilfred Johnson



Shareholders of the Month

*Our shareholders of the month
draw strength from the positive
attitude they hold toward life.*



Herbert Mercer, Raven, was born in Juneau and attended Juneau schools, graduating from JD High in the 1940's. His father was Frank Mercer, one of the founding fathers of the Alaska Native Brotherhood. Finishing school was difficult for Native students during this time because of cultural and language barriers, but thanks to his father's persistence, he made it through.

As many Tlingits have done, Herbert went fishing with his father after school. Right after WWII, he left Juneau for three years of training as an assistant foreman with the Kansas City Electric Power Co. in Kansas City, Kansas. Back in Juneau in the early 1950's, Herb was asked by Paul Proudy, Captain of the M/V Princeton Hall, to serve as engineer, deckhand and cook. He sailed the waters of Southeast Alaska on the mission boat for the Presbyterian Church until 1960.

Herb was first introduced to the ANB in 1928, and in the 35 years since

then he has held many offices, from Sargeant at Arms to Local President of the Juneau Camp. He also played basketball with the ANB team in Hoonah, Juneau and Angoon.

Recently his Native people paid him their highest tribute by giving him the title of President Emeritus, Juneau Camp No. 2, Alaska Native Brotherhood.

Janae Franklet, Eagle, was born in Juneau and will be a senior in Juneau-Douglas High School this fall. A high academic achiever through elementary and middle school, Janae is a straight-A student at JD High.

Good grades came naturally at first, says Janae, but when she reached high school, competition for grades became intense.

Her goal was always to improve herself and her grades, and the friends she chose provided her with challenges as well. Janae is on the drill team which

performs at basketball games. Practice for the team takes a lot of dedication and requires giving up free time, but there are rewards, such as traveling with the team to Anchorage for the state competition.

Janae is planning to major in education and administration in college, and she chose her senior courses with this goal in mind.

Goldbelt is proud of Janae Franklet and students like her, and wishes her a very successful senior year.

Office Building

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According to Joe Wilson, President of Goldbelt, the company has acquired the building at a price which enables it to obtain a good return. "We will be able to price rents competitively even in down markets. Appreciation in the value of the property was not factored into our analysis."

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