

Ahtna Inc. hosts farewell for right-of-way officer

GLENNALLEN — The Ahtna Inc. staff hosted a farewell barbecue Wednesday for Sue Sherman, subsurface right-of-way officer, who resigned effective Friday, according to Ahtna spokesmen.

Sherman plans to spend the summer relaxing with her husband Chris, son Randy, 8, and daughter Dana, 2, at their home in Willow Lake. In the fall, she will enter Prince William Sound Community College as a full-time student in resource management.

Sherman began her career with

With Ahtna's support and encouragement, she took evening courses at Prince William Sound Community College in order to advance within the corporation. In January 1988, she was promoted to subsurface right-of-way officer and became responsible for gravel management and powerline and highway easements.

She credits her own initiative in combination with Ahtna's corporate philosophy of assisting its shareholders with their career as the basis for her



Ahtna at the corporate offices in Glennallen in January 1985 as the temporary front desk receptionist. According to Sherman, she learned about the Ahtna corporate structure and the differences between the various regional corporations while also learning office procedures.

In May 1985, Sherman was hired as a full-time receptionist, staying in that position until October when she was recruited for the Ahtna Land Department. Sherman's title was land technician trainee, an entry level position into land management.

success in resource management.

She said she feels her greatest accomplishment while employed by Ahtna has been the knowledge she gained in her field.

When asked what her vision is for the Ahtna Region, Sherman, who is also vice president of the Chitina Native Corp., said, "I'd like to see communication improve between Ahtna and the Ahtna people."

"The people need to realize that they are Ahtna and their voice is important in determining the future of this region."