## Group seeks unity in fight against alcoholism

## by the Association of Helping Professionals

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No one doubts that alcoholism and drug abuse are running helter-skelter in Alaska.

One person, standing alone, will be run over by this hideous disease.

We need unity. The Association of Helping Professionals is gearing up to meet this problem by asking counselors, educators, administrators and other health care givers who work in the field of substance abuse to join us.

We are the Alaska Chapter of the National Association of Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Counselors, which was established in 1974 in Arlington. Va. The organization represents about 20,000 professional counselors across the United States.

AHP is located at Box 876833. Wasilla 99687. Write to us for an application for membership, certification or training details. Also, join NAADAC through AHP and receive many benefits from NAADAC, such as \$1 million in malpractice insurance attainability.

On the board of directors are Harold Lewis Sr., Arlene Bowman, David Jewell, Craig Anderson, Jim Eltinge, Henrietta Nugen and Linda Hakenson. Honorary board members are Barry Gold of Bethel, Arlene McCrary of Ketchikan and Shirley Turner of Metlakatla. We are looking forward

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to new members from all across the state.

Meetings for the Board of Directors are held every third Wednesday of each month at Nugen's Ranch, and membership meetings are held every fourth Wednesday at Nugen's Ranch from noon to 1 p.m. Come in, meet us and get acquainted.

Two of our members, Arlene

McCrary and Shirley Turner, just returned from London after attending a NAADAC conference there. They brought back a great report of NAADAC's national progress.

The Alaska chapter of the Association of Helping Professionals needs all of you to help us fight the negative giant of alcohol and drugs that is ruining so many lives in our state.