

## ***Stockholders Meet—***

# **Klukwan Village Corp.**

HAINES (June 21)—Klukwan, Inc., the Village Corporation established for Alaska Natives enrolled to Klukwan, Alaska under Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act of 1971, held its annual stockholders meeting in Klukwan on June 19.

The sole purpose of the meeting was the election of the corporation's Board of Directors. A slate of nine directors was elected by unanimous consent of the shareholders. Following the shareholders meeting, the directors selected officers for the Klukwan Corporation.

The following officers were selected: Irene Sparks Rowan, president; Bill Thomas, Jr., vice president; Steve Hotch, secretary; and Edith Jacquot, treasurer. Other board members include Wes Willard, Ed Warren, Dick Hotch, Joe Hotch and Tom Katzeek.

Corporation President, Irene Sparks Rowan is the manager of the Alaskan Office of the Washington-based Public Affairs Consulting Firm, Rowan Group, Inc. and the owner of another consulting firm, Kish-Tu, Inc.

After the meeting, the Klukwan Corporation president stated, "Because of a complex technical problem, Klukwan, Inc. is the only Native Corporation in Alaska created pursuant to the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act which has neither land nor money among its assets.

"Our first order of business is to correct this situation. We are addressing the problem at this time with assistance from and in cooperation with the Sealaska Corporation, the Tlingit and Haida Central Council and the Bureau of Indian Affairs."

Although its resources are limited, the Klukwan Corporation

is confident that it will be able to hire administrative staff and open an office in Haines within a matter of weeks.

Klukwan, Inc. President, Irene Sparks Rowan and Corporation Attorney, Donna Willard will travel to Washington in July to meet with members of the Congress and Interior Department Officials to determine how Klukwan, Inc. may receive its land and money entitlement.