

Whale baffles would be retrievers

CINA

Anchorage's non-profit Native organization, Cook Inlet Native Association, elected the following members at its annual meeting; Jackie Guzialek, president; Paul White, vice-president; Bert Campbell, chairperson; Rick Nelson, vice-chairperson; Harriet Bealeal, secretary; Dan Alex, treasurer; Paul Young, sergeant-at-arms; Patt Kay, Ralph Amouak, Bruce Teideman, Serephim Stephan, Walter Riley, Rich Stevens, and Kathy Hutto were elected as board members. Also at the meeting it was decided that American Indians who are residents of Anchorage will be recognized CINA members. Members also requested that a special meeting be held to recall six board members.

CIRI

Cook Inlet Region, Inc. re-elected five board members at its 11th Annual Meeting. B. Agnes Brown, Allan Chase, William C. Prosser, Leo Stephan and John Monfor were re-elected to the 15 member board. Roy M. Huhndorf was re-elected as president to begin his tenth consecutive one-year term.

SELDOVIA NATIVES

The Seldovia Native Association has tabled a plan to trade 1,500 acres of land in the Kachemak Bay State Park for 900 acres of state land in the Kenai Peninsula. The Native association said the state violated a preliminary exchange agreement when the state removed a 93-acre Homer subdivision from the trade.

INDUSTRIAL INDIAN FAIR

Alaska Natives were part of the first National Indian Industrial Trade Fair which showcased tribal self-sufficiency through business-related activities. The fair also promoted tribal unity and greater recognition of Indian owned business. The three-day event was held in Albuquerque, N.M.

VENETIE

While the state claims it has a right to levy severance taxes on the village, the village of Venetie has begun negotiations with a foreign company and an Oklahoma group for oil and gas leases on the tribe's 1.8 million acres of land. Tribal consultant Don Wright said 26 lease proposals have been received. Wright also contends that as a sovereign tribal government, Venetie leases will be free of state severance taxes.

SMITHSONIAN

The Smithsonian Institution of Washington, D.C. said 90 Alaskans will be represented at its Festival of American Folklife. Specifically foods such as dried seaweed and smoked salmon will be made and sold. Basketry, beadwork, whale bone and ivory carving, quill work, parka making will also be demonstrated. Alaskan Native dancers will also be performing.

CHITNA

The Board of Fisheries has allowed statewide dipnetters to

take 15 salmon per individual or 30 per head of household after July 5 from the Copper River near Chitna. Out of nearly 7,000 permits issued nearly half were owned by Fairbanks resi-

dents. Chitna and other residents of the Copper River area can own subsistence dipnet and fishwheel permits.

WHALE

Washington volunteers off

Bainbridge Island couldn't budget a 40-foot whale which was beached. A line broke when an attempt was made to tow the whale ashore. A research spokesman said volunteers were

"totally befuddled" about what to do with the whale carcass. Perhaps they should call on some Inupiat with their seal skin-covered umiaqs for a little technical consultation.