

# Shagaluk gets preschool

**By Joy Hamilton**

For many years Shageluk has been unable to get funding for a preschool program. Eligibility requirements of state and federal programs continually forced Shageluk out.

On several occasions Shageluk people applied for Head-Start funding with no luck. For one reason or another Shageluk was unable to have a preschool.

Two years ago the City Council met and decided it was time to make a preschool despite obstacles. Through the state per capita program the Council was able to obtain enough money the first year to furnish and equip the new preschool building.

The log building was funded by a legislative grant. The new building has a bedroom, bath-

room, kitchen and school area with electricity.

Angela Bain was hired as Shageluk's first preschool teacher. Angie is from Shageluk. Together with the City Council and Kristy her four-year-old daughter, the first two years were successful.

The Shageluk BIA School Board offered a room and their facilities for the first two years of school.

For the 1983/84 school year Shageluk preschoolers will start the year with a new teacher in a new building. The philosophy is still the same: we can do it.

The Shageluk City Council is now hiring for the position and resumes will be accepted until July 1. For further information, call Joy Hamilton in Shageluk at 431-8001.