

Local-to-national elections to highlight meeting

Approximately 85 to 100 delegates to the Central Council of Tlingit and Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska will gather in Juneau for their 1982 annual meeting on October 7, at the Baranof Gold Room.

The delegates, representing 21 communities in Alaska, Washington State, and California, will be addressing local, State, and national political issues as well as their own internal elections for the office of the Central Council Presidency and executive officers.

The meeting is scheduled to begin at 9 a.m., Thursday, October 7, and continue each

day until adjournment at the close of business on the 9th of October. A banquet is planned for the evening of the 9th at the Juneau T-H Community Center.

Former Tlingit and Haida land claims attorney, I.S. "Lefty" Wiessbrodt, will deliver the Key-Note address at the convention on the opening day of the meeting. Wiessbrodt resides in Washington D.C., and will be in Juneau especially for this year's annual meeting of Tlingit and Haida people.

Other guest speakers will include: Juneau's Mayor, the Honorable William D. Over-

street; Sealaska Corporation Board Chairman, Byron I. Mallott; Democratic gubernatorial candidate, Bill Sheffield; BIA Area Director, Jacob Lestenkof; ANS Grand Camp President, Emma Widmark; ANB Grand Camp President, Robert Martin Sr.;

Juneau T-H Community Council President, Robert W. Loscher; SE Regional Health Corporation President, Ethel Lund; T-H Regional Housing Authority Executive Director, Johan Dybdahl; T-H Regional Electrical Authority Manager, William J. Chabot; Sealaska Business Investment Corpora-

tion President, Alan L. Williams; and T-h Fisheries Development Corporation Vice-President, Laird Jones.

Central Council President John Hope, cites the major issues on this year's ballot (subsistence repeal and the capital move) as being of "grave concern to each and every individual Alaskan."

Hope recently stated, "At this year's (T-H) annual meeting, we'll be stressing the vital importance of each eligible voter in all of our communities getting out on election day and exercising their voting privilege. Even if recent polls

suggest the (subsistence) repeal unpopular by a majority of Alaskans, it still may pass if enough of us don't bother to vote against proposition 7 on election day."

The Central Council is urging all eligible voters to register and VOTE - even if you are out of town, to vote by absentee ballot, if necessary.

Following the T-H annual meeting, the Grand Camp of the Alaska Native Brotherhood/Alaska Native Sisterhood will hold their yearly meeting in Kake, Alaska, from Oct. 10 through the 15th.