Elders, youth focus on subsistence

The 1990 Alaska Federation of Natives Elders Conference will be held in Anchorage at the Egan Convention Center, Oct. 22-23.

The theme for this year's conference is "We Live in Two Worlds with One Spirit."

"Alaska Natives today are faced

with many challenges," said Julie Kitka, AFN president. "The need to focus on the values and traditions of Alaska Native cultures is becoming more and more apparent."

Kitka said supporting elders and giving them opportunities to reach both Native adults and youth is one way to combine traditional ways with the modern world.

The Elders Conference has become the opening event of the convention week, and this year will be combined Oct. 23 with the AFN Youth Convention in a joint session to discuss the subsistence issue.