



PAUL GOODWIN, newly-appointed Executive Director of the Fairbanks Native Association.

Goodwin takes helm at Fairbanks Native Assn.

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Paul Goodwin will be the new Fairbanks Native Association Executive Director January 3, 1977, replacing Lucy Carlo who resigned December 9, 1976.

Goodwin cited his education, background in rural Alaska, interest in Native problems, interest in developing programs for Native Americans, and management experience of a large automotive service center in California as reasons why he was chosen by the FNA Executive Board.

Until 1968, Goodwin worked mainly in construction and mechanics. In 1968, he had enough credits from going to college off and on to receive an associate degree in mathematics and humanities.

In 1971 he was graduated from the Sonoma State College

at Rohnert Park, California with a Bachelor of Science degree.

Then he began working at the University of Alaska's Geophysical Institute, studying the aurora borealis. In 1974 he received his Master of Science Degree in Geophysics from the University of Alaska-Fairbanks. Most recently he has completed the requirements for a Ph.D in geophysics.

When Goodwin first came to UA he discovered he was the only Native Alaskan in any of the basic sciences at the university. To alleviate the problem, he taught Physics 193, a special topic class which he designed to help rural students in studying physics. Goodwin designed the course taking into consideration cross-cultural factors, and made the course relevant to Native students and their experience with nature. Being part Eskimo helped Goodwin to relate to the students.

Goodwin is the Native American Representative on the American Meteorological Society and participates in other science groups, particularly the American Geophysical Union and the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

Born to Emma and Carl Goodwin after they went to California from Kotzebue, Alaska, they soon returned to Kotzebue where Goodwin lived until he was about five years old.

He began his education at the Immaculate Conception Church School (Monroe wasn't in existence then). He then moved to the Kenai Peninsula. As a teenager he lived in Anchorage. He has also lived in different parts of Alaska.

Goodwin is married to Enid, and he has a daughter Alanna, 13, by a former marriage.