

ANRC overview hearings being held

The Alaska Native Review Commission started its overview roundtable discussions Monday and will continue the talks through March 16.

Round one of the discussions will run from Monday, Feb. 27 through 29 and will focus on the topic: The Spirit of ANCSA. Roundtable participants are John Borbridge, Francis Degnan, Martha Demientieff, Charlie Edwardson, Richard Frank, Al Ketzler, Lily McGarvey, Emil Notti and Don Wright.

Session 2, from March 1-3, is titled "ANCSA Institutions and Legal Regimes" and features attorney John Havelock, David Hickock, Roy Huhndorf, Charlie Johnson, Douglas Jones, Guy Martin, Byron Mallott, Emil Notti, Joe Upicksoun, and William van Ness.

Session three, from March 6-9 — U.S. National Policy — features David Case, Ted Chamberlin, Ada Deer, Tom Hawkins, Russell Jon, Ralph Johnson, Ralph Lerner, Browning Pipestem, John Stevens, Alma Upicksoun and Peterson Zah.

Session four, from March 13, 14, 15, 16, is on international matters and features international experts.

The hearings are held in the Anchorage Fur Rendezvous Roudy Palace at 737 West Fifth Avenue, from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. and 1:30 p.m. to 4 p.m. daily.

The public is invited and urged to come and listen and speak.

Alvin Okeson, campus president of Matanuska-Susitna Community College, has been named as Interim Chancellor of the Community College, Rural Education and Extension division of the university.

Okeson has been with the university system since 1961 when he was hired as part time

director of what was then called Palmer Community College; the name of the school was changed in 1968 to Matanuska-Susitna Community College.

"Okeson has the unanimous support of all the unit heads within the division. I am most pleased he is willing to take on this task," announced Barton.