

# S.E. Native presidents

The presidents of Southeast Alaska's three principal Native organizations--Alaska Native Brotherhood, Sealaska Corporation and Tlingit & Haida Central Council--met recently in Juneau to outline plans and procedures for ongoing meetings to discuss topics and concerns common to all of their constituents.

What has prompted closer relationships between the organizations are the vast changes taking place in the social and economic structure of Southeast Alaska and implementation of the Alaska Native Land Claims Settlement Act; particularly those problems relating to Section 17 (d)(2) of the act, subsistence hunting and fishing and Native land conveyances.

Necessary to resolution of some of the issues are closer communications between the leaders to eliminate duplication of efforts among their organizations. A thorough discussion of goals and objectives is scheduled for later consideration.

The presidents--Frank O. Williams of ANB; John Borbridge, Jr. of Sealaska; and Raymond E. Paddock, Jr. of CCTHIA--have tentatively agreed to meet on a quarterly basis beginning in March.