Village officers study investigation techniques

ANCHORAGE – Ten Village Public Safety Officers and constables from the Aleutian Pribilof Island Association, Kodiak Area Native Association, and the Tanana Chiel's Association were in Anchorage last week for a 40-hour course in investigation of rape and domestic violence.

This is a regional quarterly training program for the public safety officers from these three Native non-profit associations.

The training was conducted by Sgt. Robin Lown, Cpl. Roy Harper and Fish and Wildlife Protection Officer Berita Purdy from the Department of Public Safety Academy in Sitka.

Attending the week-long course were: Robert P. Simeonoff, Sr., Akhiok; Louis J. Nevzoroff, Atka: Ted T, Lekanof, St. George: Larry Charlie, Mintoi; Lee W. Joe, Tetlin; Marvin Deacon, Grayling; Leo C. Edwards, Beaver; Simon Francis, Chalkyitzik; Allen John, Sr., Shageluk; Allen John, Sr., Shageluk; and Constable Jerry F. Colvill, who will be assigned to St. Paul.

The quarterly training program for the Village Public Safety Officers supplements the four to six weeks training they received at the Public Safety Academy and the regular monthly training they receive from the Alaska State Troopers. Similar quarterly training programs are conducted in regional locations throughout the state devoted to law enforcement, emergency medical treatment, local government, and fire fighting.