

# Ron Williams chosen ANB president

The 70th annual convention of the Grand Camp Alaska Native Brotherhood and Sisterhood convened on Monday, Oct. 11 in Kake, Alaska. The convention, a meeting of the oldest Native American organization in North America, gathered for the first convention in Kake in 13 years. Over 100 delegates from all over Alaska and the Pacific Northwest are in attendance at this, the Grandparent of all Alaska Native organizations.

The Grand Camp Alaska Native Brotherhood and Sisterhood has already passed resolutions strongly opposing the capital move and strongly opposing the repeal of the current subsistence law.

In a very special action, the organization has named ANB executive committeeman Roy Peratrovich (Anchorage) as Grand President emeritus. This very special honor is reserved for the recognition of past presidents who have shown great dedication and contribution to the ANB and ANS.

Recently the Grand Camp elections were held. The elected leadership will serve for a year's term, until the next Grand Camp convention.

Election results are as follows: Ron Williams, ANB Grand President; Bill Thomas of Ketchikan, ANB First Vice-President (by unanimous ballot); Joe Hotch of Klukwan, ANB Second Vice-President (by unanimous ballot); Albert Kookesh of Angoon, ANB Grand Secretary (by unanimous ballot); Laird Jones of Juneau, ANB Grand Treasurer (by unanimous ballot); and Larry Sweet of Klukwan, ANB Grand Sergeant at Arms.

In Grand Camp Alaska Native Sisterhood election: Emma Widmark, Grand President; Ro-



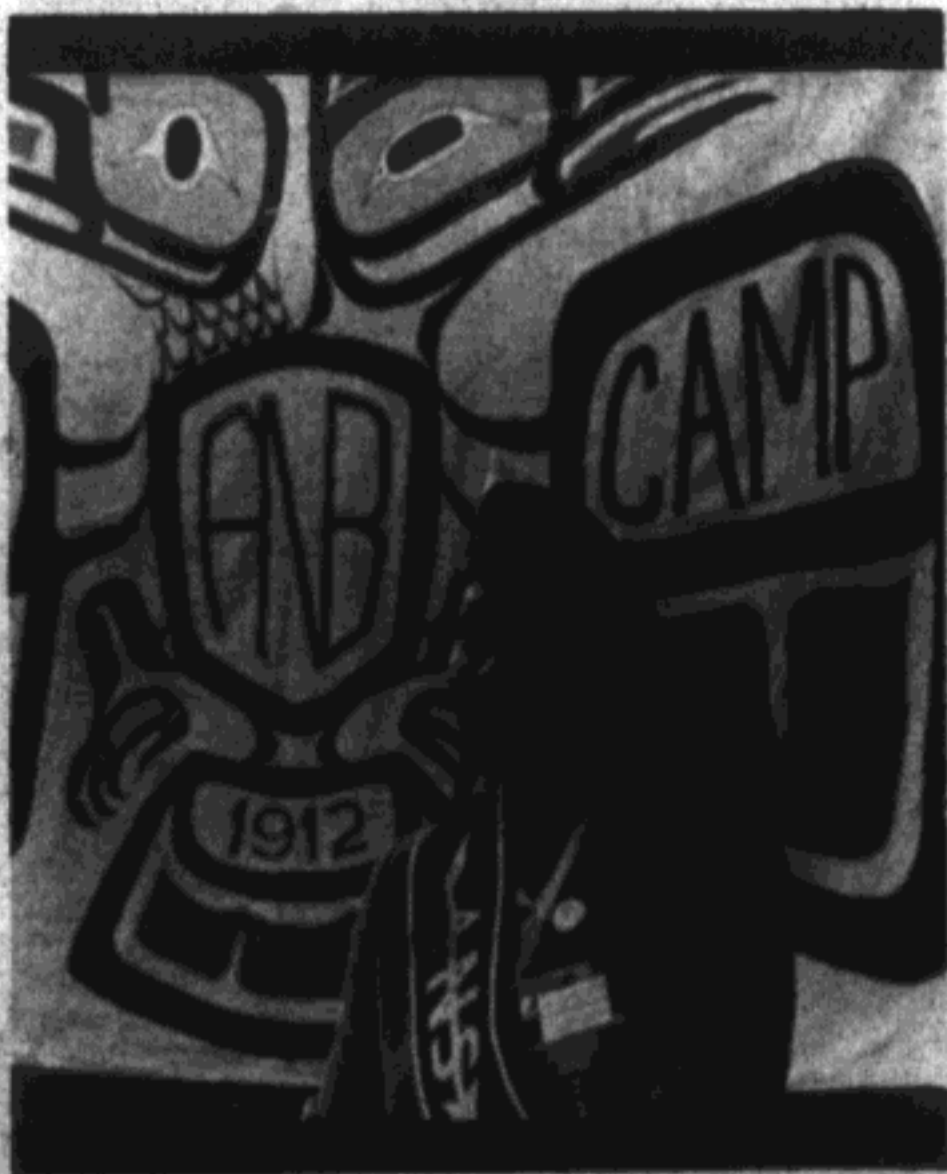
Patrick Paul of Sitka, Alfred Widmark of Juneau, and Steve Hotch of Klukwan — between the three of them there's 200 years of ANB experience.

wina Nathan, First Vice-President; May Guthrie of Klawock, Second Vice-President by unanimous ballot; Carol McQueen of Juneau, Grand Secretary by unanimous ballot; and Jackie Dailey, Grand Treasurer.

The convention continued through Friday Oct. 15 with a passage of resolutions; it ended with the Grand Ball featuring Richard and Teresa Stitt, both former members of the Grand Camp ANB/ANS.



(L to R) ANB Grand Camp Secretary, Albert Kookesh; ANS Grand President, Emma Widmark; and ANB Grand Camp President, Robert Martin. Martin chose not to run for president this year, Ron Williams of Juneau was elected to fill the Grand Camp executive office.



Mary Guthrie, ANS Grand Sergeant at Arms, during a short break in the hectic life of a Grand Sergeant at Arms. Mary is from Ketchikan and chose not to run for Grand Sergeant, but was elected to the Second Vice-Presidency of the ANS Grand Camp.

(Photo Right) John Hope, Juneau; Roy Peratrovich, Anchorage; and Frank O. Williams, Sitka. (L to R). Voting on a resolution — sometimes we all don't agree with one another.

