

Trainees

Graduate

The Technical Assistance Program started its second session of a 24 week Village Management Training Program at the Alaska Skill Center in Seward the week of February 4.

The program is based on basic training in areas of business management, office procedures and municipal planning, communications, personnel management, and other business related issues.

The training is structured around an open-ended concept that allows flexibility for the student in terms of his prior experience. It is hoped that a student will remain afterwards for additional training at the Skill Center, depending upon the need of his village.

The persons enrolled in the program are: Peter Galaktionoff from Unalak, Lloyd Nashanik from Barrow, Dennis Adams from Koyuk, Fritz Auliyee from Shaktoolik, Levi Sepillu from Savoonga, Polly Aleck from Chignik, Fred Washington from Levelock, Henry F. Henry from Eek, Joe Hinz from Eek, Eric Olson from Hooper Bay, Theo Munchuck from Port Graham, Edna Brown from Nenana, Norman Henry from Chalkyitsik, William Alpiak from Karluk, and Marilyn Haakanson from Port Lions.

During the first session of the training program implemented by the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act last spring, we are proud to announce the graduates from the course, which are as follows: Virginia Gene from Gakona, Herman Lestenkoff from St. George Island, Merrill Nashoalook from Barrow, Victor Ashenfelter from Seward, Roger Nichols from Kaltag, Miles Cleveland from Ambler, Virginia Douglas from Shungnak, Carroll Gray from Ambler, and John Topkok from Ambler.

The Technical Assistance Program expects the next session to begin approximately August and we will begin recruiting shortly before that time.

The selection of students for enrollment in the program will be based upon village and regional recommendations and comments. Although being a high school graduate or having a high school equivalency is not a requirement for acceptance into the program, the ability to read and assimilate semi-technical material will be necessary because of the documents included in the curriculum.

In addition, if the applicant does not have a high school diploma it is recommended that those students who are accepted take remedial reading and math as part of the course instruction to develop his ability in these areas in order to pass the G.E.D. test while at the Skill Center.

If there are any interested persons or any of the recent graduates need assistance please contact Paulette Charney at the AFN office.