

Boat races, potlatch, to highlight Fair

WHITE MOUNTAIN

The annual White Mountain Carnival will be held this June during the first week of the month.

The Seward Peninsula village is about 70 miles east of Nome and can be reached only by plane. About 100 people live there and they will all be welcoming visitors from all over the state to their picturesque village.

According to Kathy Simon, one of the Carnival Committee members in White Mountain, the whole village gets involved with the carnival activities and everyone is busy preparing for the festive days.

"We'll have the rowing races for women and the boat races for men," she says. "There will also be events for the children and a community potluck serving traditional foods of the region. It's a happy time of year for us and we hope to attract some adventurous visitors."

Carnivals have already been held this Spring in several other Seward Peninsula and Norton Sound villages. Shishmaref had its Spring Mush at the end of April and Savoonga has its Walrus Carnival at the beginning of May. The carnival idea is taking root in northwestern Alaska and the day may soon be when there's a carnival in every village.

"It's a good way of be-

ginning the summer," Kathy Simon says.

BERING SEA

Eskimo Dollmakers

They're making dolls in Savoonga, Gambell, Shishmaref and Wales. Eskimo dolls.

Twenty Eskimo dollmakers have been asked to create dolls for the Alaska State Arts Council's upcoming exhibit Eskimo Dolls. Once compiled, the exhibit will be able to travel to most villages in Alaska, beginning this summer and continuing into next year.

"The dolls will represent a variety of regional and cultural styles," says Suzi Jones, Traditional Native Arts director for the state arts council. "Each dollmaker is being photographed and interviewed both to provide material for the exhibit catalog and to initiate a long range program documenting the traditional Native artists in our state."

Dollmakers in several northwestern Alaska villages have been commissioned to create dolls for this exhibit. Pansi Omiwari of Nome, Josephine Ungott of Gambell, Annie Alo-wa of Savoonga, Maggie Komomaseak of Wales, and Vincent Locktoo and Emma and Eliot Olanna of Shishmaref are all making dolls for the state arts council.

There are a great many varieties of Eskimo dolls in Alaska and the Shishmaref dollmakers like to work with

horn dolls and whalebone dolls. Out on St. Lawrence Island, in the villages of Gambell and Savoonga, dollmakers make some of their dolls with gut tan parkas. The dolls are often pictured engaged in traditional activities such as fishtrap making, dancing and the blanket toss.

ST. MARY'S

The following students have earned honor roll standing for academic achievement and outstanding effort at St. Mary's Catholic High School for the third quarter:

A HONOR ROLL Carol Okitkun (Kotlik); George Owletuck (Marshall); Debbie Alstrom (St. Mary's).

E HONOR ROLL Carol Okitkun; Ignatius Charlie (Alakanuk); George Owletuck.

B HONOR ROLL Seniors: Sylvester Alick (Pilot Station); Charles Beans (Mt. Village); Margaret Francis (St. Mary's); Wendy Marlin (Stebbins); Jeff Stickman (Nulato).

Juniors: Noreen Dan (Stebbins); Greg Slats (Chevak).

Sophomores: Mary Rose Beans (St. Mary's); Rudy Beans (Mt. Village); Willie Okitkun (Kotlik); Allan Paukan (St. Mary's); Mike Paukan (St. Mary's); Diane Semaken (Kaltag); Cecelia Solomon (Kaltag).

Freshmen: Kim Peratrovich (Bethel); Marie Otten (Stebbins); Janine Thomas, (Crooked Creek); Adeline Thompson (St. Mary's).