

# Barrow gets whales, Calista loses bank

Barrow whalers brought home two bowheads last week, relieving fears that the community would go without a whale for the second year straight. Barrow had been allotted four strikes under the quota imposed on Alaska subsistence whale hunters by the International Whaling Commission and the government.

Feelings in the community became extremely tense, noted Marie Adams, spokeswoman for the "Alaska-Eskimo Whaling Commission, when all four strikes were taken and no whales landed. Then the other villages agreed to give Barrow one of their strikes and a 28-

foot bowhead was taken by Jonathan Aiken. Some of the tension was relieved, said Adams, but the villagers still knew that one small whale would fall short of their needs.

Fortunately, hunters were able to track down and retrieve a whale that was struck and wounded early by Simon Patkotak. Even with this 48-footer, the needs of Alaska's largest whaling village would not be met, but, Adams noted, "it made a lot of people happy."

Gambell and Savoonga have each taken a whale and each have one strike left. Kivalina has not yet taken a strike,

Point Hope has landed one whale, lost another, and has one strike left. Wales and Wainwright have yet to make their first strike as this issue goes to press, and Nuiqsut and Kaktovik will wait until fall to do their hunting.

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ANCHORAGE — The Alaska National Bank of the North Board of Directors has rejected a Calista Corp. plan to buy \$3.5 million of the bank's common stock.

The proposal would have given the Bethel-based regional Native corporation effective control of the bank, but in a

split vote, the board declined Calista's offer to buy 209,000 shares of bank common stock at \$16.75 per share.

If the offer had been accepted, the Native corporation would have owned 24 percent of the bank's common stock. The Bering Straits Native Corp owns 17 percent; a Seattle trust owns 10 percent; an individual owns 6 percent and the remainder has been sold to the general public.

Instead of accepting the Calista proposal, the board voted to sell 750,000 shares of common stock on the open market. Board Chairman Don Chandler said the stock, with a book

value of \$16.75 per share, would be sold within 60 days.

Sheldon Jackson College in Sitka has announced that they are seeking applicants for two scholarships created for Native students intending to study fisheries, forestry or natural resources. Each scholarship is worth up to \$8,500 per year and is renewable.

Students interested in applying should send a letter of application for the Natural Resources Scholarship to: Admissions Office, Sheldon Jackson College, P.O. Box 479, Sitka, AK 99835.

Along with the letter of application the applicant should

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send a copy of his or her high school or college transcript and a letter of recommendation.

Because of the availability of numerous other scholarships as well, students not interested in studying the areas named above are encouraged to apply for other scholarships ranging in value from \$1,000 to \$3,000.

All scholarships are awarded on the basis of grade point average, leadership ability and potential for success in college.

The Ukpeagvik Inupiat Corporation (UIC) announced they will renovate the old Naval Arctic Research Labor-

atory transmitter building at the east end of Browerville into an office complex which will become the headquarters for UIC.

Once UIC has vacated its present location, the second floor of the Old Shontz Building in Barrow, it will be renovated and leased to the Alaska Court System.

UIC Construction, Inc. has been awarded a contract in the amount of \$190,813.00 to renovate the transmitter building.

Rural community development projects are being sought after to be included at an international exposition in India in February 1984. The

Institute of Cultural Affairs, with the assistance of the Alaska Federation of Natives, is heading the search for successful projects for Alaska's representation.

The three-week International Exposition on Rural Development will feature rural projects from 50 countries, as part of a three-pronged effort to stimulate an exchange of rural development ideas. The event is co-sponsored by the United Nations Development Programme, United Nations Fund for Population Activities and The Institute of Cultural Affairs International (the organizing sponsor).

Alaska has been guaranteed representation in the United States delegation to the exposition. The selection process is already underway, so Native corporations, village groups and other concerned people should contact Julie Kitka at the AFN or Carol or Cliff Stocking at the Institute of Cultural Affairs as soon as possible, as Alaska's entries will be submitted to the National Steering Committee of the IERD on July 7.

Several criteria will be used to determine which projects will qualify for inclusion at the exposition. Success-

ful projects will qualify based upon the following criteria (as relevant to the particular project): how well the project instills pride and promotes self-sufficiency of local people; stimulates the rural economy; motivates people to take responsibility for their own development; is self-sufficient in the long run; is adaptable to other projects or locations. develops strong community government; promotes private enterprise and employment; involves all age groups; develops land and creates jobs; and enhances the way of life chosen by local people.