

Frank O. Williams, Jr. — T&H Citizen of Year

Frank O. Williams, Jr. was selected 1985 Citizen of the year of the Tlingit-Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska at the annual Convention of Tlingit-Haidas held in Craig on October 3-5. Mr. Williams was nominated by the Sitka chapter of Tlingit-Haidas. Some of the other nominees were: Dr. Alfred Widmark, ANB Executive Committeeman; Ethel Lund, ANS Grand president and president of SEARHC; Marvin Kadake from Kake who, among many other things is active with local Volunteer Fireman; Beatrice Wilson Halkett from Anchorage who is very active in many Native activities; and

Marlene Johnson of Hoonah, vice Chairman of the Sealaska Board, who is also very active in many organizations and activities in Hoonah.

Mr. Williams congratulated the other candidates and thanked the Sitka delegates for the nomination and support. He also said he feels lucky to have been working with organizations like Sitka ANB/ANS, and many others that had hard working, active members, because they all share in the earning of the award.

Earlier in the year, Williams received the Royal Order of the Cossack Cap award during the greater Sitka Chamber of Com-

merce banquet. The award is given to a person or group from the community who exhibits unselfishness and devotion to public service. Former winners of the award selected Williams.

The award reads: "By those present, be it hereby made known that Frank O. Williams, Jr. is proudly proclaimed on this date to have been appointed a lifetime member of the Royal Order of the Cossack Cap. This ancient and honorable society is composed in the entirety of individuals, who, having distinguished themselves in public service to the citizens of

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Sens. Ted Stevens and Frank Murkowski confer with AFN President Janie Leask and Board member Willie Hensley during a recent Washington, D.C. trip. Stevens will address the AFN Convention.

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Sitka, the former capital of Russian America, have been by unanimous acclaim judged worthy to forever wear the royal ensign. Sealed by our hand on this 19th day of January 1985."

Williams, presently a community relations officer at Mt. Edgecumbe Hospital, has served in many organizations in the health field. He is an active member in many public fields and pioneered many of Sitka's Native organizations.

Williams said he finds time to

attend many functions or events at the drop of a hat. "I'm lucky to be the chairman or president of many groups. I get calls from other organizations to be some place months in advance and I'll say, 'call me a couple days before the schedule' and when they do, I go."

Williams graduated from Mt. Edgecumbe in 1953 and attended Western Bellingham College. His two daughters are attending Central Washington College.