

AFN announces new scholarships

Key Bank Alaska earlier this month gave a \$5,000 grant to the Alaska Federation of Natives, Inc. to provide scholarships to Alaska Native college and high school students, AFN president Julie Kitka said.

Key Bank president Mike Burns said it is the intent of the bank to continue such contributions on a yearly basis, or as resources permit.

"An important part of achieving Self-Reliance, Self-Governance, and Economic Development is education. For this reason, Key Bank of Alaska is pleased to present this first contribution of \$5,000 to assist in establishing the Arthur J. Goldberg Memorial

Scholarship," Burns said. Self-Reliance, Self-Governance, and Economic Development was the theme for the 1995 AFN Convention.

Goldberg is the late Justice of the U.S. Supreme Court who worked to help the Alaska Native community reach settlement of the 1971 Alaska Native Claims Act, and who was retained by many Native groups to work in their behalf in Washington D.C. in the 1960s.

The fund will be divided into two \$2,500 scholarships. The scholarships will be awarded at the annual AFN Convention to two Native students chosen by the AFN Scholarship Selection Com-

mittee. Scholarship applications for this award will be available after the first of the year. The first award of two \$2,500 scholarships will be in May 1996. Subsequent awards will be presented at the 1996 AFN annual convention in October.

"The AFN is proud to create this fund, especially in light of the fact that this scholarship fund is being named in the memory of Arthur Goldberg, a remarkable man who gave so much to the Native community," Kitka said in accepting the scholarship grant. "It also helps to fill an area of need that is critical to Alaska Native people."