

# *Grayling BIA grads honored at Banquet*

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On Tuesday, May 13, graduation exercises and a banquet to honor the graduates were held in the junior high department of the Grayling BIA School.

The graduates were: Carolyn Deacon, Helen Deacon, Janet Deacon and Johnny Maillelle.

Approximately 150 people attended the ceremony. Master of ceremonies, for the occasion, was the principal, Johnnie C. Shaw. School board president, Martha Maillelle, presented the certificated to the graduates. Other school board members present were: Joe Maillelle, Sr., Barbara Chase; Janice Maillelle; and Dolly Deacon.

Carolyn Deacon read the "Last Will and Testament" of the graduates. Rev. Dave Kenny of the local Arctic Mission Church, presented the opening prayer. Mattie Pay Shaw was the guest speaker.

Also receiving very special awards were: Stanley Walker, 1st grade; Brian Maillelle, 2nd grade; Timothy Chase, 2nd grade and Faye Yaska, 3rd grade. These four had maintained honor roll status throughout the year. Certificates of appreciation for outstanding performance were presented to William Painter, elementary aide and to Betty Deacon, junior high aide.

Benediction was given by Rev. Scott Fisher of the Episcopal Church.