

Theata Club Elects Its Officers

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The Theata Club, a campus organization at the University of Alaska for Native students, Tlingits, Haidas, Eskimos, Aleuts, Tsimshians and Athabascans, met on October 6 to elect new officers.

Officers elected were: Helga Eakon, president; Katie Egowa, vice president; Phyllis Alexander, secretary; and Phil Kelly, treasurer.

The Club seeks to follow its constitution that states in part the primary purposes as follows: "to promote the education of Alaska Natives; to preserve and perpetuate their rapidly vanishing cultural traditions and handicrafts."

The Club also enables the student to better realize in a greater scope his potential, not only on a leadership scale, but his role as an American citizen.

With active participation and cooperation within the organization, a number of proposed plans and projects should come into reality.

One plan is for the Theata Club to publish a book of Eskimo and Indian legends. The ones selected are to be traditional and authentic tales which have never before been published.

Another plan under present consideration is to hold a bazaar. Items to be sold include ivory carvings, beadwork and a variety of genuine Native handicrafts. Along with such fund-raising projects, the Club will hold a number of social functions within and outside the group.

The members will be meeting bi-monthly and will inform the general public on its forthcoming activities and plans via the Tundra Times.