

Phyllice Bradner Receives Beckett Paper Award

ANCHORAGE, AK. — BP Alaska, Inc., Murray, Kraft & Rocky, Inc., and Anchorage artist Phyllice Bradner recently received the Beckett Paper Company's 1972 Award of Excellence.

The award, given "for the Creative Use of Paper," is the

result of a brochure designed by Ms. Bradner and produced by Murray, Kraft & Rocky for BP Alaska.

The brochure, "North Slope Alaska: Man and the Wilderness", is a colorful 23-page pictorial narrative outlining BP's involvement in Alaska oil op-

erations. "This recognition," reads the inscription, "is given for superior achievement in 1972 for advancement of the graphic arts."

Beckett receives hundreds of job samples annually from all parts of the country. Only a select few are chosen to re-

ceive this award. "We are grateful for the recognition accompanying the Award," remarked Charles Towill, BP Public Relations Manager. "It is another of many indications of Alaskan business's maturing capabilities in design and publications work."

NARL of Barrow Observes 25th Anniversary

A graduate student at the Naval Arctic Research Laboratory at Barrow summed up his experience there as one in which the relaxed atmosphere between professors, graduate students, local Natives, and Arctic "veterans", and the 24 hour interaction and exchange was like receiving a dinner table education, "a university in a Quonset".

From its beginnings in 1947 in a small Quonset to its present twenty-fifth anniversary, NARL has drawn strength from just this kind of informal, flexible, reaching, ever-growing format.

Past director for three-fifths of its life span, Max Brewer spoke at the anniversary celebration in Fairbanks, Aug. 14.

Brewer pointed to a quarter century of "lean and hungry, independent, and generally unfettered scientific research."

He cited the course by which it has continued to grow with increasing vitality and to escape the "doldrums of old age."

Studies conducted by the Laboratory have ranged over an incredibly rich variety of subjects: lemmings, permafrost, underwater sound, ice studies, auroral observations, biology, geophysics, animal population, health, archaeology, anthropology, and many, many more.

John F. Schindler, current director, commended the Native people of Barrow for their involvement from the very first summer of the Laboratory's beginnings.

"For most of the lifetime of the Laboratory," said Schindler "about 60 per cent of our employees were hired locally. The difficulties that someone from the "South 48" can have trying to accomplish the simplest of chores in an Arctic winter can only be appreciated fully by those who've learned the hard way."

"The people of Barrow," he said, "have brought an experience and knowledge to the Laboratory the value of which is immeasurable to the research effort."

"How many overland trips, ice projects, boat projects and ice stations owe their success to the presence and gentle suggestion of the local people can never be known."

"I am very sure," Schindler concluded, "it is a great number and I now publicly express mine and the Laboratory's gratitude to the Native people of Barrow."

Melik Graduates From GED

SPECIAL TO THE TUNDRA TIMES

JUNEAU — Chester Melik of Kotzebue graduated from the GED program at the Kicking Horse Regional Residential Manpower Center at Ronan, Montana on July 27.

Melik, who arrived at Kicking Horse in January, was also enrolled in the automotive course but he did not complete his training in auto mechanics.

The Kicking Horse RRMC is the only all Indian Job Corps in the United States. It is operated by the Confederated Salish and Kooteni Tribes of the Flathead Indian Reservation through a contract with the U. S. Department of Labor.

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