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Sargent Shriver To Spend Six Days in Alaska

Sargent Shriver, director of the U.S. Office of Economic Opportunity is in Alaska for the next six days.

He arrives in Anchorage at noon today. Tomorrow he plans to go fishing and Sunday he will begin a tour of western Alaska that will take him to Nunivak Island, Emmonak, St. Lawrence Island, Nome, Wales, Buckland, Point Hope, Anaktuvuk Pass and Fairbanks.

He is to meet with VISTA trainees and Upward Bound students at the University of Alaska Wednesday morning.

How many parts in the average car? Would you believe fourteen thousand? Keep your car and all its parts in safety shape. Alaska State Troopers say check it often. Get the safety habit!

Melvin Olanna Wins Top Prize in First Juried Native Arts Showing

Outstanding native craftsmen from all over the state were represented at the first juried native arts and crafts exhibit in Anchorage this month.

The exhibit was held at the Igloopuk at Anchorage International Airport, June 15-17.

Top prize winner was Melvin Olanna of Shishmaref. His wooden seal took first prize in the sculpture exhibit. His soapstone carving, "Raw Meat Eater" took fourth place. He also took fourth in the jewelry division with a silver bracelet.

Olanna has just completed a one-year workshop in arts and crafts under Ronald Senungetuk at the University of Alaska, College. Another student, Alvin Kayouktuk from Little Diomed took first place and honorable mention in the jewelry exhibit.

Bernard Kotexac of King Island took first place in graphics with a drawing entitled, "Walrus". Florence Melowotuk of Gambell was second and Aghupuk of Anchorage, fourth.

Skin sewing winners were Ethel Washington, Kotzebue; Katie Kernak, Napakiak; Agnes Komakhuk, Anchorage; and Mrs. Frank Mosquito, Anchorage. All exhibited dolls, except for Agnes Komakhuk who took third place with her fur mittens.

Nickerfer Chris, Nunapitchuk, took first place in the miscellaneous division with his wooden utensils. Albert Kulowi, Savoonga, was second with an Eskimo pipe.

A miniature fish trap earned first place for Stephan Ivan, Akiak, in the models and miniatures section. George Imergan, Gambell won second



PRIZE WINNER—Melvin Olanna, Shishmaref, completes prize winning seal at University of Alaska workshop. He and classmates open their own workshop, Inupiat Associates, this summer. Olanna and his teacher, Ronald Senungetuk, left Monday for Madison, Wisc. where they will attend a workshop on art in the small community.

place for a baleen boat. Other winners in the jewelry section were Billy Wilson, Hoonah, and Ronald Senungetuk, College.

The jury for the show were Mary Taylor, owner of the Fishwheel, Anchorage craft shop; George Federoff, state field representative for the Indian Arts and Crafts Board, and James McGrath, assistant director of arts at the Bureau of Indian Affairs Institute of American Indian Arts, Santa Fe, New Mexico.

The exhibit took place in conjunction with the Alaska Festival of Native Arts, scheduled to continue through

out the summer. During the first week, Olanna and Kayouktuk demonstrated carving and silverwork. Lincoln Wallace of Sitka, demonstrated wood carving. King Island Eskimos performed dances, as did Copper River Indians, and the Chilkat dancers.

Lela Oman, Nome author, read stories to children. Robert Mayokok, Wales, exhibited his art and gave talks about the Eskimo people.

Totem and ivory carvers, skin sewers, sculpturers, painters and jewelry makers will demonstrate and sell their crafts through Sept. 1.

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