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FISH WHEEL CONSTRUCTED! As you can see by the picture on the front of the newsletter, the fish wheel has been constructed. A huge thank you goes out to Mike Painter, Gary Jackinsky, Jim Painter and all those who helped build the wheel. After several years advocating at the Federal Subsistence Board, submitting proposals and coordination in the construction and implementation of the wheel, we are conducting our first trial run in the Kasilof River. As noted within this newsletter, a representative from U.S. Fish and Wildlife will be down at the Ninilchik Senior Center on July 20, 2010 in order to issue Subsistence permits for Ninilchik residents. Those individuals participating in the fish wheel or other subsistence activities are required to have their federal subsistence permit. In addition, if you are interested in participating with the wheel or aiding in the endeavor please contact us here at the office.

HOUSING WORK! The Tribe is currently in the process of completing another home in Kasilof under the home ownership program. As Bob explains in his newsletter article, we are always looking for Tribal members who are willing to work on these projects. In addition to home construction, we have several mod/rehab developments that have been put out to bid, or that will be put out to bid shortly. Some of these proposals did not receive responses and therefore we are requesting contractors out there who are licensed and willing to work on these projects. If you know of any Tribal members who are interested in doing contracting work please have them get a hold of us here at the office.

HEALTH UPDATE! Minnie Mercer, Physicians Assistant, has joined us at the clinic here recently in order to help Mark out for a couple of months. We are continuing our search for another midlevel to assist at the clinic in the long term. Minnie will be seeing patients at the clinic starting this week. During this time, Minnie and Mark will be available for the summer, in addition to Ruth Alvarez, who will be filling in a few times as well. I appreciate your patience as we continue to fill this vital position for the long term.

On another health note, the board of directors has approved a new position at the clinic which will be the Tribal Health Director. This position will be in charge of the entire administrative functions at the clinic, to include further outreach, networking and advocacy. We are in the process of fine-tuning the job vacancy announcement and it will be posted and mailed to the membership as soon as it is completed. Thank you.

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Have a safe and wonderful summer!