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American Indian, Eskimo, and Aleut year 'round events that help non-Native Americans appreciate the unusual contributions of those whose home this was before the arrival of the Europeans are now listed in "American Indian Calendar 1974" available from the Superintendent of Documents, Washington, D.C. 20402 for 65 cents.

It includes such events as annual beaver roundup at Dillingham, Alaska (March 7-11); Cha-Be-Toe Rodeo, Whiteriver, Ariz. (July 4 weekend); Hopi Snake Dances at Sipaulovi, Shongopovi and Hotevilla, Ariz. (August, 3rd week); Navajo Nation Fair at Window Rock, Ariz. (September, 2nd week); and Chief Seattle Days at Suquamish, Wash., (August, 2 days, last weekend of the month).

"American Indians are in 8 position to offer hospitality to a great number of visitors," Commissioner of Indian Affairs Morris Thompson indicated as he announced the availability of the listing.

"Indian tribes have built motels that incorporate Indian motifs to house visitors to their lands," Thompson said. "In addition, many have campgrounds and arts and crafts outlets and some unusual attractions --such as a donkey train down Grand Canyon, organized hunting parties, and trips to Indian ruins.

Indian reservations are often close to National Parks and National Forests and are exciting places for many travelers to visit," Thompson said.

"American Indian Calendar" includes a list of Bureau of Indian Affairs Area Offices, the states they serve, and their telephone numbers. Since a number of Indian observances depend upon seasonal activities and exact dates cannot be determined in advance, tourists are urged to check with tribes, local Bureau of Indian Affairs offices, and local Chambers of Commerce for specific dates if they are not already indicated in the publication --or if the traveler is building his itinerary around a particular occasion.

The booklet may be ordered by Catalog Number I20.2:C12/2/974. Stock Number 2402-00034.