

Angoon girl picked for national post

Joleen Johnson, 16, of Angoon, is among 17 young persons selected from across the nation to inform the U.S. Department of Labor on actions needed to improve the functions of youth programs, Assistant Secretary of Labor Ernest G. Green announced.

Green said the National Urban League has been awarded \$100,000 from youth program funds to organize the National Youth Participant Observer Committee; coordinate the committee's activities; and provide the communications needed for the young committee members to conduct their business.

The youth committee will participate in the monitoring and assessment of Youth Employment and Demonstration Projects Act programs that the department is administering.

The first meeting of the committee was held February 3 and 4 in Washington, D.C.

The youth observer committee will meet four times a year under the aegis of the Urban League. The committee members will be reimbursed for all expenses including lost wages if they are employed.

Ms. Johnson has participated as a member of the Governor's Youth Planning Council and Youth Advisory Council for programs under the Youth Employment and Demonstration Projects Act of 1977. She is president of the National Honor Society in Angoon, a member of the Alaska Native Sisterhood, and has participated on the State of Alaska's Southeastern Regional Advisory Council.

She currently attends high school in Angoon.