Junior Achievement honors volunteers from Bethel, Nome

Business people and teachers from Nome and Bethel were honored recently at a reception in Bethel for their involvement with Junior Achievement's Applied Economics program.

In Applied Economics, students learn about economic theory from their teacher and are visited once each week by a local business consultant. The consultant's weekly visits bring a practical, real life element to the classroom.

Consultants share their business experience with the class and help them relate economics to their own lives. Students in the class also have been experiencing business by running their own student company.

Bethel business people Arvin Dull of First National Bank and Jeff Lowery, accountant of the Lower Kuskokwim School District, team up with teacher Michael Grounds to teach Applied Economics at Bethel Regional High School.

Forming a partnership at Nome-Beltz High School are Peggy Crawford of National Bank of Alaska, and teacher Teresa Thomas.

All were recognized for their participation. Additionally, Bethel students Lad Neilson and Joe Symbol, presidents of their student companies, were given awards for their leadership.