

Stevens nominates Alaskans to U.S. Service Academies

Forty-eight Alaskan men and women have been nominated for appointment to the U.S. Service academies by Senator Ted Stevens. Included among them are 23 young Alaskans from Southcentral.

Nominated to the Naval Academy in Annapolis, Maryland are Steven Daugherty, Dillingham; Jason Bowman and John Shepherd, Eagle River; Paul Roetman, Valdez; and Meredith Stafford, Anchorage.

Receiving nominations to the Air Force Academy at Colorado Springs, Colorado are: David Bagenzki,

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Patrick Meehan, Suzanne Palmer, Brian Petro, Susan Price, and Roderick Schenker, Anchorage; and John Simeroth, Kenai.

Those nominated to the U.S. Military Academy at West Point are: Leif Brockman and Patrick Floyd, Kodiak; Trevor Desatoff, Jeb Downing, Robert Price III, Kelly Robinson, and Sean Valdrow, Anchorage; Larry Erickson and Toni Godes, Soldotna; and Walter Gostevskyh, Homer.

Merchant Marine Academy in Kings Point, New York, nominees include Matthew Stuart of Anchorage and Clay Tangen of Juneau.

"These young Alaskans have chosen an education that is demanding as well as important to all of us and our nation," Stevens said. "We wish them all well."

Other Alaskans nominated for appointment include Eric Brendle, Michael Donahue, and Robert Haight, Juneau; Thomas McCarthy, Sitka; Howard Zach, Chad Wilton, Jeffrey Morton, Michael Ortelli, Joseph Estridge, Fairbanks; William Lidster, North Pole; Timothy Cookson, Eielson; Shawn Klawunder, Tok; Robert Schuelke and Michelle Woodbury, Delta Junction, Lafe Short, Petersburg; Martin Nannuack, Kake; Don Nelson, Barrow; Shawn Gronlund, Scott Johnson and Robert Diaz, Ketchikan; Katy Luhman, Adak; Chris Biagi, Ward Cove; Sean Campion, Nome; and Terry Don, Mekoryuk.