

Stevens names 31 Alaskans to be interns

Thirty-one young Alaskans will serve as interns in for Sen. Ted Stevens, R-Alaska, in his Washington, D.C. office this summer.

This is the 22nd year Stevens has employed graduating high school seniors and college students as summer interns in his Senate office.

Students perform a variety of jobs, including researching, typing, filing, answering the telephone and carrying messages to the senator on the Senate floor or in committee meetings.

In addition, Stevens arranges for the interns to tour museums and monuments in the area, attend cultural events including concerts or theater presentations and hearings or meetings at other federal agencies. A barbecue at Stevens' home and a beach trip are also included on the interns' agenda.

The high school seniors, who have just graduated, are in two groups. Each group will spend a month in Washington, D.C. The college interns will work in the senator's office for the entire summer.

High school seniors arriving for the first session who are from Anchorage include: Philip Drager, Virginia Janis, Robert Maguire, Vasilika Marinkovik, all of Bartlett High School; and Justin Meyers of East Anchorage High School.

From Juneau are Kristin Cladahous of Juneau-Douglas High School, and Erna Petrawke, who graduated from Service High School in Anchorage. Other interns include William Cooper of Fairbanks, Monroe High School; Zachary Van Driel of Douglas, Centralized Correspondence; Joseph Quinn of Girdwood, Anchorage Christian Schools; and Chris Willington of Metlakatla, Metlakatla High School.

Selected for the second session of high school seniors from Anchorage include Robert Diamond, East Anchorage High School; Nikki Foreman and Sean Taylor, Service High School and Bonny Weaver, West Anchorage High School.

From Fairbanks are Joshua Applebee, Lathrop High School, and Sean O'Keefe, currently attending Eton in England. From Anchor Point, Austin Barron, Homer High School; from Sitka, Rachel Cropley, Sitka High School; from Napakiak, Sherry Lieb, Napakiak High School; from Kenai, Connie Thompson, Nikiski High School, and from Port Alsworth, Laura Wilder, Tanalian High School.

College interns include Jonathon Lack of Anchorage and Laura Doogan of Fairbanks, who will work as coordinators with the high school interns; Elizabeth Baker, Stephanie Kron and Greg Beirne of Anchorage; Trevor McCabe of Seward and Anchorage; Clay Tangen of Juneau; and Mary Reeve of Dillingham and Anchorage.