

WINS AWARD-Ragine Pilot, a student at Mt. Edgecumbe High School, takes top honors in the "Know Your State Government" contest sponsored by the Benevolent Order of Elks. Ragine is being given a check by Frank Clayton of the Elks at Sitka.

## Edgecumbe Student Wins Award

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Ragine Pilot, a student at Mt. Edgecumbe School, won the "Know Your State Government" contest which was sponsored by the Elks.

At a special Founders Day assembly on Friday Feb. 23, in the Mt. Edgecumbe Field House, Frank Clayton announced that Ragine Pilot was the winner in this area and presented her with a check from the local Elks Club.

He said that she had received the highest score on a test regarding Alaska Civic Affairs.

Ragine is from Koyukuk, which is on the Yukon River, between Nulato and Galena. She attended and graduated from Koyukuk elementary school and then came to Mt. Edgecumbe for her high school education.

Students and staff know her as an attentive, dependable student who has a love for learning. Her hobbies are collecting old Indian beads and hunting for fossils. Reading and listening to the radio—to keep up with what's going on in the world—are her favorite pastimes and Alaska History and Literature are her favorite studies.

Ragine plans to go to college and become a teacher, but she has not decided which college she will at tend.

When asked why she took the test, she said, "Because experience is one of the best teachers and I felt that I would understand more about the government if I actually saw it in action."