

Elementary school achievers cited

Twenty-five elementary school students from around Alaska have been chosen to receive the Governor's Student Achievement Award.

The students, all sixth-graders, were selected by a panel of statewide judges from nominations by their teachers based on conduct, study habits and skill, attitude, class participation and other criteria.

"Alaska has always put a premium on education, and I'm glad to see we have so many talented students as a result," Governor Bill Sheffield said in announcing the awards.

The students, their teachers, parents, and other school officials, were hosted by the Governor at a Dec. 12 reception at his Anchorage home where the students will receive their awards. The following day a luncheon was held for the students at an Anchorage hotel.

The students are: Michelle

Hinkle, Soldotna-Kenai Elementary; Norman Blair, Kodiak-St. Mary's School; Kalle Wik, Ambler-Ambler Elementary; Jana Dillinger, Anchor Point-Anchor Point Elementary; Iver Ohnemus, Cooper Landing-Cooper Landing Elementary; Melinda Burkholder, Anchorage-Willow Crest Elementary; Koya Harry, Homer-Homer Middle School; Scott Ostrom, Anchorage-Creekside Park Elementary; Jocelyn Scott, Wasilla-Big Lake Elementary; Genevieve Nolan, Anchorage-O'Malley Elementary; Julia Lothrop, Fairbanks-Hunter Elementary; Kimberly Vest, Anchorage-Bayshore Elementary; Callie Kulawik, Anchorage-Rogers Park Elementary; Victoria Cardenas, Anchorage-Airport Heights Elementary; Lisa Sears, Anchorage-Ocean View Elementary; Colleen Kelleher, Anchorage-Susitna Elementary; Crispian Smith, Anchorage-Ocean View Elementary; Sherri Helvie, Fairbanks-

Nordale Elementary; Krishna Teague, Sitka-Blatchley Junior High; Joshua Andrews, Juneau-Freshwater Bay School; Vini Samuel, Juneau-Auke Bay Elementary; Wilhelm Egloff, Girdwood-Girdwood Elemen-

tary; Lisa Von Borgen, Valdez-Herman Hutchens Elementary; Kathy Milligan, Kotzebue-Kotzebue Elementary; Matthew Gunner Ione, White Mountain-White Mountain School.

The judges were Lois Bruhn of Fairbanks, Opel McNevis of Sitka, Rosy McDonegh of Anchorage, Florence McOshea of Anchorage, and Bell Benton of Anchorage.