

On going home again...

Richard Stone (pictured at left) straps himself into the right hand seat of a single engine Otter bound for Ketchikan from Metlakatla. "I love this community too," Stone, a Tsimshian originally from but not a tribal member of Metlakatla told villagers gathered for a meeting with ANRC commissioner Thomas Berger.

Stone attended school at Berkeley and is now the president of the Tsimshian Tribal Association, Ketchikan Chapter. Because of his travels and residency elsewhere, the school teacher and private business man is not a member of the Metlakatla Indian Community, and the only way he could now live in his home town would be by obtaining a work permit.

Stone feels that Tsimshian such as himself, who do not benefit from the reservation at Metlakatla nor fully benefit from ANCSA, have been deprived by the act. "People who have gone off and done different things should be able to come back," Stone, who for now wants to stay in Ketchikan, says.