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#### **Fairbanks Native Leaders Meet with Senators**

Sharon McConnell Gillis, Doyon Foundation's executive director, recently joined other Fairbanks Native leaders in meeting with Senator Lisa Murkowski and Senator Ted Stevens on May 28 at the Doyon, Limited building in Fairbanks.



Pictured left to right are Allen Todd, Doyon, Limited counsel; Teisha Simmons (seated), Interior Regional Housing Authority; Norm Phillips, Doyon, Limited president/CEO; Senator Lisa Murkowski; Miranda Wright, Doyon, Limited board chair; Toby Osborn, Doyon, Limited CFO; Sharon McConnell Gillis, Doyon Foundation executive director; Aaron Schutt, Doyon, Limited COO; and Ray Atwood.



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April 15 Scholarship Type: Basic and Competitive Semester: Fall

September 15 Scholarship Type: Basic (for vocational students only) Semester: Winter

November 15 Scholarship Type: Basic Semester: Spring

March 15 Scholarship Type: Basic Semester: Summer

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- Teamsters Local 959, Morris Thompson Memorial Golf Classic \$2,500 Bronze Level Beverage Cart Sponsor
- Wells Fargo, Morris Thompson Memorial Golf Classic \$5,000 Silver Level Sponsor
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## Law Enforcement Academy Scholarships Available

Doyon Foundation is pleased to announce that two \$7,500 scholarships are available to Alaska Native students wishing to attend the Law Enforcement Academy at the University of Alaska Fairbanks' Tanana Valley Campus. The next academy will be held August 18 - November 14, 2008.

To apply, download and complete the application packet posted at <a href="https://www.doyonfoundation.com">www.doyonfoundation.com</a>. All applications must be received or postmarked by <a href="https://www.doyonfoundation.com">Monday</a>, July 7, 2008.

The scholarships, which are open to all Alaska Natives, are generously funded by the Alyeska Pipeline Service Company Alaska Native Program.

For more information, contact Doris Miller at 907.459.2050, 1.800.478.4755, ext. 2050 or millerd@doyon.com.

#### It's Almost Time to Tee Off



Held in conjunction with this year's Morris Thompson Memorial Golf Classic, a silent auction fundraiser for the newly established Georgianna Lincoln Scholarship Fund will feature items such as a thrilling boat ride with current Yukon 800 champion Harold Attla, as well as a selection of fine Native artwork.

Doyon Foundation's eighth annual Morris Thompson Memorial Golf Classic is now just weeks away! This year's golf classic takes place June 19 - 20, 2008 at Chena Bend Golf Course on Fort Wainwright in Fairbanks, Alaska. All proceeds from this fun-filled event go support the Morris Thompson Scholarship Fund, which benefits higher education students studying business management and leadership.

This year's golf classic features a silent auction benefitting the newly established Georgianna Lincoln Scholarship Fund. The inaugural fundraiser, featuring items such as a thrilling boat ride with current Yukon 800 champion Harold Attla, as well as a selection of fine Native artwork, will be held during the golf classic reception on June 19 at 6 p.m. at Pikes Waterfront Lodge.

If you haven't registered to play yet, or if you wish to support the golf classic as a sponsor or silent auction donor, please contact Greg Bringhurst at <a href="mailto:bringhursta@doyon.com">bringhursta@doyon.com</a> or 907.459.2049.

## Golf Classic Benefits Students Like Tiffani Ivey



On June 19 and 20, Doyon Foundation will host the Morris Thompson Memorial Golf Classic, which benefits the Morris Thompson Scholarship Fund. Each year, this fund provides scholarships to hardworking, Alaska Native, higher education students like Tiffani Ivey.

Ivey, who was born in Anchorage and raised in Juneau, currently lives in Albuquerque, New Mexico, where she is studying at the University of New Mexico College of Pharmacy. After receiving her doctoral degree in pharmacy in May 2009, Ivey plans on working as a community pharmacist.

In addition to being a full-time student, Ivey also works at Walgreens and participates in a wide range of volunteer activities, such as serving meals at a

local homeless shelter, administering flu shots, crocheting hats for cancer victims treated at the University of New Mexico Hospital, and tutoring other pharmacy students. In her free time, she enjoys reading, cooking healthy meals and playing water volleyball.

"Work hard," Ivey said when asked for her advice to other students. "It might be difficult now, but it will all pay off in the end!"

Ivey said she is grateful for the support she has received from Doyon Foundation and the Morris Thompson Scholarship Fund. She also encourages others to support the Foundation's efforts.

"Graduate school is incredibly expensive and the money that the Doyon Foundation has given me helps immensely with tuition. I still have to get student loans, but the amount I pay back after I graduate will be less because of their generosity," she said. "By supporting the Doyon Foundation and the Morris Thompson Scholarship Fund, individuals may help better the lives of other Alaska Natives, and what could be more rewarding?"

Ivey is also very appreciative of the support she receives from her family.

"I am so grateful for the love and support of my family members. I don't think I would be where I am today, successfully pursuing a doctoral degree at a great university, without them," said Ivey, who is the daughter of Bernard Ivey and Janice Nuttall, and the granddaughter of Avis Vanderpool Dunkin.

## Summer E-newsletter Schedule

The Doyon Foundation e-newsletter is taking a summer break! The e-newsletter, which is typically distributed twice monthly throughout the school year, will be sent out once per month in June and July. It will resume its regular schedule in August.

# Students arrive at UAF for 26th Annual Rural Alaska Honors

Dozens of high school students from across Alaska arrived at the University of Alaska Fairbanks (UAF) this week for the 26th annual Rural Alaska Honors Institute (RAHI).

RAHI is a summer college preparatory program run by UAF's College of Rural and Community Development. The 48 juniors and seniors attending this year's program were selected from a pool of more than 120 applicants and hail from nearly three dozen communities across Alaska.

They will spend the next six weeks living in UAF dormitories, building their academic skills and learning firsthand about college life. They will take courses throughout the program and earn up to 10 college credits for their efforts. A July 9 ceremony and awards banquet will mark the end of the 2008 program.

Organized in 1983 at the request of the Alaska Federation of Natives, RAHI aims to increase college success for rural Alaska Native students. Nearly 250 RAHI alumni have gone on to earn baccalaureate degrees. In addition, alumni have earned six law degrees and one medical degree, 108 associate degrees, and 44 certificates. More than 275 are working on their undergraduate degrees and 30 are in graduate school.

"These RAHI students are entering Alaska's professional workforce ... and many more are in the educational pipeline who are closing in on the baccalaureate finish line," said RAHI director Denise Wartes. "RAHI is definitely making an intended impact."

In addition to the regular RAHI program, students from two other programs will reside with the RAHI students this summer. The first program - RAHI II, Next Step - will bring seven students from across Alaska to do genetics research with UAF scientists. The second program, EPSCoR Interns, is part of the National Science Foundation's Experimental Program to Stimulate Competitive Research. Students will work as interns with UAF research programs.

RAHI courses are funded through several UAF departments, Alyeska Pipeline Service Co., Wells Fargo, the U.S. Department of Agriculture and The Boeing Company.

For more information, contact Denise Wartes, RAHI director, at 907.474.6886 or fyrahi@uaf.edu.

# Internships, Scholarships and Other Educational Opportunities

Looking for a summer job or internship? Need help paying for school? Here are just a few of the many opportunities currently available. Be sure to visit <a href="https://www.doyonfoundation.com/static/employment.aspx">www.doyonfoundation.com/static/employment.aspx</a> for the full list!

 Doyon, Limited is currently seeking to fill a number of internship positions, including a human resources employment intern, shareholder records intern, administrative department intern, enrollment intern, and a communications intern. All internships are based in Fairbanks, Alaska, with the exception of the human resources employment intern, which is based in Anchorage, Alaska. For detailed job descriptions and application instructions, visit  $\underline{www.doyon.com}$ . Applications will be accepted until the positions have been filled.

- Tanana Chiefs Conference (TCC) is currently seeking a computer support intern. Under close supervision, the intern will perform maintenance for computer systems and software applications. The position is based in Fairbanks, Alaska. For more information or to apply, contact Robin Frank, TCC human resources, at 907.452.8251, ext. 3418.
- The American Indian Science and Engineering Society (AISES) Google Scholarship will award scholarships to American Indian, Alaska Native and Native Hawaiian AISES members pursuing degrees in computer science, computer engineering and management information systems. For more information, visit <a href="http://www.aises.org/Programs/ScholarshipsandInternships
- The National Institute of Diabetes & Digestive & Kidney Diseases (NIDDK) is offering scholarships to undergraduate students who wish to attend the Association of American Indian Physicians 37th annual meeting and national health conference in Worley, ID from July 23 - 29, 2008. A total of 18 scholarships will be awarded. For more information, visit <a href="www.aaip.org">www.aaip.org</a> or contact <a href="mailto:lmyers@aaip.org">lmyers@aaip.org</a> or 405.946.7072. Applications due June 20, 2008.
- Publisher Simon & Schuster is sponsoring two \$2,500 scholarships for youth adopted from foster care. The scholarships, administered by the North American Council on Adoptable Children, are intended to help offset higher education tuition costs. For more information, visit <a href="http://www.nacac.org/scholarship2008/scholarship2008.html">http://www.nacac.org/scholarship2008/scholarship2008.html</a>.
   Applications due June 30, 2008.

To view a full list of opportunities, please visit www.doyonfoundation.com/static/employment.aspx

# Tips for Student Success

Sometimes the best tips for student success come right from other students! Here are some tips and advice shared with us by Doyon Foundation students who have recently been featured in our e-newsletters:

- "Get started early. Even when people tell you you're too young or too inexperienced, keep pushing and make things happen for yourself.
   Success won't just happen for everyone - success comes to those who work for it." - Mick Aney, 2007 - 2008 Morris Thompson Committee's Choice scholarship recipient
- "No matter what walk of life you have come from, you can succeed. There is someone who is in your life, or has been, who sees so much potential in you and they want to see you reach for the stars and never lose hope. Times can be tough, but those moments are the ones that shape you and make you stronger." Misty Nelson, 2008 graduate of the University of Alaska Anchorage
- "My advice for people is to follow what they feel in their heart. If you
  don't know what you are doing or what you want in life, you just have
  to keep trying new things until you find yourself." Michelle Garrett,
  2008 graduate of the Law Enforcement Academy at the University of
  Alaska Fairbanks' Tanana Valley Campus
- "I would recommend networking with organizations relevant to your major, being open to the idea of creating opportunities not only for yourself, but others as well, and staying involved with things that make you happy. Have some type of responsible social activities that allow you to switch gears and take your mind off of the books and enjoy yourself."
   Josh Huhndorf, studying pre-medicine and health management/policy at Oregon State University
- "I would say that persistence is the best tool that students could have while attending school. I have seen people who were highly qualified give up on their goals just because they didn't have the persistence to see their schooling through." - Ethan Nelson, 2008 graduate of the University of Alaska Fairbanks

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