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## **Alumni Association Student Dinner Held Saturday**

As part of a pilot program, the Doyon Foundation Alumni Association hosted its first student dinner in Fairbanks on Saturday, September 22. The event, which took place at the Doyon, Limited Chiefs' Court, drew approximately 50 students, alumni and family members from the Fairbanks area.

In addition to dinner, the evening featured a performance by the Pavva Inupiaq dancers, activities and door prizes. Students also completed questionnaires, which will help the alumni association understand student needs and plan future events.

The evening also provided the opportunity for students to be matched with alumni supporters for the 2007 - 2008 school year. Nineteen students who attended the dinner are planning to take advantage of this alumni support program.

The Foundation and the alumni association extends its gratitude to Victor Joseph for donating moose meat, Dee Linzner for making the soup, the Pavva Inupiaq dancers for the entertainment, and Doyon Properties for providing set-up and security.

For more information on the alumni association, visit [www.doyonfoundation.com](http://www.doyonfoundation.com) or contact Seeyaa' Charpentier at 907.459.2048 or [charpentiers@doyon.com](mailto:charpentiers@doyon.com).



## **Annual Membership Meeting Moved to October 20**

The Doyon Foundation annual membership meeting has been rescheduled from Wednesday, October 24 to Saturday, October 20. The meeting will be held from noon to 1:30 p.m. at the 3rd floor boardroom in the Doyon, Limited building at 1 Doyon Place in Fairbanks. For more information, visit [www.doyonfoundation.com](http://www.doyonfoundation.com) or contact Seeyaa' Charpentier at 907.459.2048

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## Spring Scholarship Deadline November 15

November 15 is the application deadline for spring semester basic scholarships. It is also the deadline for competitive scholarship recipients to return the yellow card that was included in their award letter, or submit a basic scholarship application. Competitive scholarship recipients must return the card or an application to receive their spring scholarship. For more information or assistance, contact Doris Miller at 907.459.2050 or [millerd@doyon.com](mailto:millerd@doyon.com).

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## Internships, Scholarships and Other Educational Opportunities

Looking for a internship? Need help paying for school? Check out these internships, scholarships and other educational opportunities:

- Doyon Human Resources is hosting a job fair on Friday, September 28 from 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. at the Doyon, Limited boardroom at 1 Doyon Place in Fairbanks. Attendees should bring a current resume and a completed application, and be ready for a first interview. Interested applicants who are unable to attend may download an application at [www.doyon.com](http://www.doyon.com), then fax it to 907.334.0280 or email it to [employment@doyon.com](mailto:employment@doyon.com). For more information, call 877.369.6647 or 907.334.0200.
  - The Alaska Universities Legislative Internship Program is currently accepting applications for 2008 spring semester internships in the Alaska Legislature. For more information, contact Patrick Cunningham at 907.786.6902 or visit [www.uas.alaska.edu/internprogram](http://www.uas.alaska.edu/internprogram). Applications due by noon on October 4, 2007.
  - The 2007 Alaska Federation of Natives (AFN) convention will be held October 22 - 27 in Fairbanks. Doyon Foundation students are welcomed and encouraged to attend. For more information, call AFN at 907.274.3611, email [AFNinfo@NativeFederation.org](mailto:AFNinfo@NativeFederation.org) or visit [www.nativefederation.org](http://www.nativefederation.org).
  - Alaska Pacific University is offering scholarships to Alaska Youth for Environmental Action (AYEA) graduates. AYEAs graduates who are interested in pursuing a degree in outdoor studies or education may be eligible to receive up to \$4,000 per semester, per year. For more information, contact [avea@nwf.org](mailto:avea@nwf.org).
  - Nominations are currently being accepted for the Spirit of Youth awards, which recognize Alaska youth who are helping others and improving the quality of life in their community. Youth ages 12 - 19 may be nominated in 11 categories. For more information or to nominate a deserving youth, visit [www.spiritofyouth.org](http://www.spiritofyouth.org) or call 907.746.1842.
  - Denakkanaaga, in partnership with Digi Nii, recently received a \$23,000 grant from First Alaskans Institute to train youth participants in all aspects of stage production, set creation and performance. Through the program, called Broadway for Alaska Natives, organizers expect to work with at least 30 youth from around the interior. For more information or to get involved, contact Matt Stevens at 907.452.8251, ext. 5010 or email [hasy247@yahoo.com](mailto:hasy247@yahoo.com).
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## Tips for Student Success

Do you find it hard to concentrate while studying? If so, you're not alone. Many students say they have trouble concentrating or get easily distracted. Here are some tips to help you focus:

- Pick a place to study - and use it only for that purpose.
- Have all the tools you need at your fingertips.
- Keep distractions, like noise or activity, to a minimum.
- Try not to look at the clock - it's one of the biggest distractions.

- Don't get too comfortable or relaxed - it will make you sleepy, which isn't good for your concentration.
- Study during a time of day when you are alert, and give yourself adequate breaks.
- If distracting thoughts keep crossing your mind, write them down and come back to them later.
- Set goals for your study time. For example, decide to read a certain number of pages.
- Reward yourself for completing your goals.
- Start by studying for short periods of time, then build up your study time as your concentration improves.

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## Updates Requested From Past Scholarship Recipients

In an effort to better track student success, the Doyon Foundation is requesting updates from past scholarship recipients. To assist in this effort, please send information on what school you attended, what degree(s) you received and when, what field you are now working in, and where you are currently living. To submit an update, contact Seeyaa' Charpentier at 907.459.2048 or [charpentiers@doyon.com](mailto:charpentiers@doyon.com).

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## Short-Term, Vocational Funding Available

The Doyon Foundation reminds students that short-term, vocational funding is available year-round, on a first-come, first-funded basis. This funding is specifically for individuals who do not meet the criteria for part-time student status, but who want to attend a short-term, vocational course. Students will receive funding equal to the cost of the course, not to exceed \$400, and may receive funding once per year. For more information, contact Doris Miller at 907.451.2050 or [millerd@doyon.com](mailto:millerd@doyon.com).

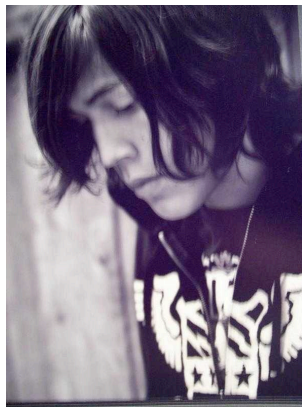
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## Wanted: Student Photos

The Doyon Foundation wants your photos! The photos will be used to acknowledge students in future newsletters and on the Foundation Web site. To submit a photo, please email it to [charpentiers@doyon.com](mailto:charpentiers@doyon.com) or mail it to Doyon Foundation, 1 Doyon Place, Suite 300, Fairbanks, Alaska, 99701.

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## Doyon Foundation Student Profile: Cody Stanley



Doyon Foundation student Cody Stanley recently received a \$7,000 Doyon Foundation scholarship to attend the Law Enforcement Academy at the University of Alaska Fairbanks' Tanana Valley Campus. The goal of the law enforcement scholarship program is to increase Alaska Native hire on the trans-Alaska oil pipeline.

Stanley, who is originally from Wasilla, Alaska, said the scholarship is paying for his tuition, as well as room, board, parking and other expenses.

"The support has been amazing," he said. "It's giving people a chance to do something that they otherwise wouldn't do."

Through the intensive, 13-week program, law enforcement students receive basic police training, which positions them for work with state or municipal agencies, as well as private security companies. After graduating later this fall, Stanley said he hopes to work for Doyon Security.

In addition to his studies, Stanley said he enjoys playing music, snowboarding and skateboarding.

"Success is living life and being happy. I'd say if you have acquired those

two things, you are a successful person," said Stanley, who is the son of Brian and Ruthie Stanley, and the grandson of Jack and Mae Stanley, and Eugene and Mable Blatchford.

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### Local Doctor Receives National Award

Alaska's own Dr. Ted Malva was recently selected as a Trailblazer Award recipient by the Dialogue of Diversity, an organization working for the social and political advancement of women and men from diverse backgrounds. Dr. Malva, who has pioneered medical service delivery for the native population of Alaska, will be honored during an award ceremony on September 28, 2007 in Washington D.C. For more information, visit [www.dialogueondiversity.org](http://www.dialogueondiversity.org).

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