

Unalaska City Schools  
Board of Education  
Principals' Report  
March 24, 2005

- ❖ Students of the Week selected since the last school board meeting are: Sirahna Graves, Paul Castaneda, Monica Southworth, Karly Stubbe, Brittany Larsen, and Morgann Machalek.
- ❖ The statewide Battle of the Books competition was held last month via audio conference. Jasmine Ruckman, Rachel Gulanes, and Abbygale Jensen represented the 4<sup>th</sup> grade, and Jan Allen Rabanal, Michael Fernandez & Camille Docena represented the 5<sup>th</sup> grade.
- ❖ Tyler Morrison won the PCR's Valentine's Day Essay Contest high school division with his essay honoring his father, Shannon.
- ❖ Kyle Haskins has scored in the top 100 throughout the state in the geography quiz, which earns him a trip to Anchorage to compete in the statewide Geography Bee next week.
- ❖ Sixteen members of the Unalaska High School Band were selected for Region Honor Band. The entire band will travel to Houston, AK for the Region 2-3 Music Festival April 21-23.
- ❖ Fourteen language students participated in the World Language Declamation last month. Heather Miller, Allison Martin, and Aidee Rodriguez won gold medals, Kaia Machalek won a silver medal, and Brittany Larsen won a bronze medal.
- ❖ Skills USA (formerly VICA) and the new high school business club sent ten students to the Performance Based Assessment Conference in Anchorage earlier this month. Students competed in a variety of areas, including welding, CADD, and cabinet making. Chris Hawthorne place second in state in the cabinet-making event.
- ❖ The Raiders boys and girls basketball teams concluded their seasons at the Western Conference Tournament in Kotzebue last week. Mariah Robinson, John Nichols, and Ryan Bruce were named to the All Tournament Teams, and the boys placed 4<sup>th</sup> overall among the eight Region 1- 3A teams.
- ❖ Congratulations to the following winners of the Waterfowl Poster and Literature Calendar Contest winners: Vincent Naanos (1<sup>st</sup> place in k-3 division), Andrew Seman (1<sup>st</sup> place in 3-5 division), Cassidy Walker (1<sup>st</sup> place in 6-8 division), Catina Merrifield (2<sup>nd</sup> place in 6-8 division), and Jacarei Echevarria (Honorable Mention). These students' posters have now been entered in the State competition.
- ❖ An Exit Exam Retreat was held last Saturday afternoon in the high school. Nine students signed up for the intensive 4-hour tutoring sessions in reading, writing, and math.