

Resource Apprenticeship Program for Students (RAPS) enrollee Patrick Snow successfully completed his first year at the University of Alaska, Fairbanks. He returned to McGrath on May 10th, and subsequently worked his third summer as a refuge field crew member this year. Patrick, an Alaska Native and resident of McGrath, previously served as a RAPS enrollee in 1992, and as a Youth Conservation Corps (YCC) enrollee in 1991. Patrick has become a valued member of our staff. Unfortunately for us, but great for him, Patrick will be entering the Service's Cooperative Education Program and will be expanding his experience base elsewhere. We anticipate a successful Service career and wish him well.

Two local Native high school students, Kitty Edwards and John Nikolai, have been targeted for the RAPS program in 1994. They were chosen because of their interest in our program as evidenced by actual performance during their participation in our Environmental Education Science Camp.

4. Volunteer Programs

This year's refuge volunteer recruitment was handled by our office rather than through the regional coordinator. Notices were sent in January to colleges and universities describing positions available and the technical skills required. We received a total of 67 responses. From this pool of applicants we selected four outstanding individuals: Samantha Hall (Maine); Ryan Amundson (Wyoming); Brian Allen (Washington); and Tanya Hanano (Ohio).



Volunteer Samantha Hall of Maine (BS 6/93)