

**Chief Shirley Gifford  
Golden Apple Award Recipient  
April 21, 2003**

City of Soldotna Police Chief Shirley Gifford is a valued partner in the local education community. In addition to her role as police chief, she serves as president of the Soldotna High School Site Council, and as a guest speaker she has shared her knowledge of critical matters at school district in-services and staff meetings.

Chief Gifford is to be commended for her willingness to take proactive steps in assisting students in making positive and well informed decisions. She works with Soldotna schools helping create a safe environment for all students and staff members.

Soldotna High School principal, Sean Dusek, shares that, "Shirley has guided us through some difficult times with her wisdom and experience from outside the educational system." He also adds that, "Chief Gifford is a class act all the way!"

We, the members of the Kenai Peninsula Borough School District Board of Education agree that Chief Shirley Gifford is a *class act* and we recognize her outstanding service to education. Thank you Shirley!