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BIAW Announces 2018 Education Scholarship Award Winners

BIAW is proud to announce its 2018 scholarship recipients. The annual scholarships were announced during the BIAW Summer Board meeting held in Pasco in June.

Nineteen winners hailed from across Washington. The advancement of the recipients' continued education and future careers will be an asset to both the home building industry and the state. The scholarship program's goal is to ensure the home building industry has a highly skilled and available pool of building industry experts to keep Washington state competitive well into the future.

Scholarship applicants were judged individually by the Scholarship Review Committee and were evaluated based on their academic record, work experience, extracurricular activities, community service, letters of recommendations and personal essay.

A record 34 applications were received. In all, nearly \$27,000 in scholarships was distributed to 19 deserving students. In addition to the individual scholarships, the committee also directed \$1,500 to help fund two scholarships for students enrolling in the Bellingham Technical College construction core curriculum program.

BIAW would like to thank the Scholarship Review Committee who spent hours reviewing and evaluating the applications: BIAW Education Chair Aaron Marvin, Dianne Glenn, Linda Mosier-Vaudt, Charles Locke, Ron Perkerewicz, Darylene Dennon, Deacon Band and Russ Shplet.

Recipients of Vocational, Technical, & Trades Scholarships

Shawn Leyenhorst – \$2,500

Washington Polytechnic Institute
Civil Engineering Technology
Building Industry Assoc. of Whatcom County

Matthew A Whitney - \$1,500

SHBA Res. Carpentry Apprenticeship
Carpentry
Spokane Home Builders Association (SHBA)

Tyler N Hungerschafer – \$1,500
Bellingham Technical College
HVAC
Building Industry Assoc. of Whatcom County

Caleb J Frey – \$1,000
Bellingham Technical College
HVAC
Building Industry Assoc. of Whatcom County

Klay Beckers – \$1,000
Perry Technical Institute
Electrical Certificate
Lower Columbia Contractors Assoc.

Walker Oblad - \$1,000
Centralia Community College
Electrician
Olympia Master Builders

Construction and University Construction Scholarships

Viola Eckert – \$2,000
South Pug Sound Community College
Business Administration
Olympia Master Builders

Madison Wittman – \$2,000
Washington State University
Architecture Masters and Constr. Mgmt. Minor
Master Builders Assoc. of King and Snohomish Counties

Celina Yee – \$2,000
University of Washington
Construction Management
Master Builders Assoc. of King and Snohomish Counties

Bonnie Ann Sires – \$2,000
University of Washington
Engineering
North Peninsula Building Assoc.

Greyson Ward Fields, Okanogan – \$2,000
University of Washington
Construction Management
Central WA Home Builders Assoc.

Ty Johnston – \$2,000

Central Washington University
BS in Construction Management
Spokane Home Builders Association

Colin Coker - \$1,500

Washington State University
Mechanical Engineering
Jefferson County Home Builders Assoc.

Michael Abrego – \$1,250

Green River Community College
Residential and Light Commercial Carpentry
Olympia Master Builders

Brandon Boudrieau – \$1,000

Washington State University
Construction Management
Home Builders Assoc. of Tri-Cities

Troy Hilsendeger – \$965

Washington State University
Construction Management
Spokane Home Builders Association

Sage Francois – \$750

Central Washington University
Construction Management
Central WA Home Builders Assoc.

Conner Obergottsberger – \$750

Washington State University
Civil Engineering and Constr. Mgmt.
Building Industry Assoc. of Whatcom County

Nolan Winn – \$500

Washington State University
Environmental Engineering
Kitsap Building Assoc.

About BIAW: Known as the “champions of affordable housing,” the Building Industry Association of Washington (BIAW) is the largest trade association in Washington state and represents nearly 8,000 members in the home building industry.

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