

# Over \$20,000 awarded in scholarships

SEIU Local 503, OPEU awarded 36 scholarships and awards totaling \$23,000 this year through a member scholarship program. Awards of \$500 per school year are offered to students entering an accredited institution of learning in the United States. Grant in aid awards of \$750 per school year are given to students who are currently enrolled. Winners must be undergraduates and must be under the age of 25 at the time of their nomination.

## Recipients of \$750 Scholarships are:

Janet Hendricks (DHS-SDA 10), Mikaylee O'Connor (Forestry), Tirzah Krabill (OSLP), Tracy Richardson (OSAC), Elizabeth Wick (UofO), Laurel Smith (OSU), Janet Noble (DHS-SDA 3), Deidre Crowell (Employment), Christina Lewis (OIT), Jennifer Sargent (Employment), Robin Walker (Agriculture), Robin Callahan (EOPC), Donna Harris (PSU), Heather Whisenhunt (DHS-SDA 6), Trevor Brandt (ODOT), Megan Delater (DOJ), Lorianne Ellis (OSAC), Gregory Williams (PERS).

## Recipients of \$500 Scholarships are:

Kristen McAlpine (ODOT), Samantha White (OYA), Lily Cranor (UofO), Sarah Johnson (Forestry), Lauren Potter (EOU), William Clark (Forestry), Amy Christy (DHS-SDA 18), Eric Leaming (ODOT), Daniel Lower (DHS-SDA 2), Nicole Beier (Revenue), Lindy Clayton (ODOT), Adrienne Spakowsky (Homecare), Colin Brandt (ODOT), Margo Fultz (Employment), Victoria Morefield (JCEA), Sean Maley (ODOT).

The Jessie Bostelle Memorial scholarship was awarded to Wende Glimpse (Rogue Community College) from Medford, a library clerk in the Acquisitions Department at Jackson County Library. Wende is enrolled at Rogue Community College with the intention of transferring to Southern Oregon University as an art major.

The Tony Lowery Memorial scholarship was awarded to Jennifer Hong (Lewis & Clark College) from Portland, a child and adolescent treatment specialist at the Parry Center.

The scholarships are available to SEIU members and their spouses, qualifying domestic partners, sons, daughters, grandsons, and granddaughters.

For more information on SEIU Local 503's scholarship program, contact Rebecca Kozisek at 1-800-452-2146. Application forms for 2006/7 will be available mid-December.

A full list of winners is posted on our web site.

**“I think this is a wonderful program. College tuition has gone up 75% in the last ten years. My kids have both worked really hard and gotten really good grades. It's nice that they can be recognized by our union for that.”**

**Susan Brandt** is an ODOT Information Systems Specialist from Salem and the mother of scholarship winners Trevor and Colin Brandt.



Workers at Newport Rehab are looking forward to bargaining after voting to join with SEIU Local 503. Pictured left to right are Delphine Talnagi, Wanda Hendrix, and Kila Nuveha.

## Nursing Home workers say, "Union, Yes!"

In a series of elections in April, workers at six Avamere and Evergreen nursing homes in Oregon voted to join SEIU Local 503. The victories at Avamere and Evergreen put all union nursing home workers in a stronger position to make improvements at work.

"We at Newport Rehab are delighted to have become a union through our strength in numbers," said Delphine Talnagi and Wanda Hendrix.

Workers at Evergreen facilities in Portland and The Dalles and at two La Grande nursing homes also voted to join the union. With these four victories, Evergreen is the first 100% union nursing home chain in Oregon.

Avamere Newport and South Salem employees also voted union. Now, workers at five Avamere facilities in Oregon are unionized. Over the last two years workers at 17 nursing homes have joined our union. But it's clear that we have hard work ahead to insure that all nursing home workers in Oregon have an opportunity to organize without facing intimidation by management.

## Notice of Election: DISTRICT 2

### Assistant District Director (2 positions) and Treasurer

**Nominations Close at 5 p.m. on Tuesday, August 2, 2005**

Send nominations to Paula Allen at 503-947-2014, or paula.kallen@att.net

**Election: Monday, August 15, 2005**

This special election is being held to fill recent vacancies. The term of office will be September 2005 through to the next General Council (mid-August 2006).

Voting will take place at the regular District 2 Meeting on August 15, 2005 at 5:30 pm at SEIU Local 503, OPEU headquarters in Salem: 1730 Commercial St. SE.

Absentee ballots can be obtained by contacting Barbara at 503-581-1505 x150.

**Absentee ballots must be received at SEIU Local 503, OPEU Salem HQ by 5 pm, Monday, August 15, 2005.**

## AFL-CIO Convention Delegates

### Portland, Oregon Convention Center October 16 - 18, 2005

- All Statewide officers are automatic delegates.
- Central Labor Council members will be given first consideration for delegate seats in their District by pulling names from a hat.

**Remaining slots shall be filled by an election held by each District at the next District meeting** following publication in *The 503 Voice*. Alternates shall be candidates with the next highest number of votes in the order of votes received. Districts will be notified two months prior to the convention of the number of credentials available to the District.

## CAPE Committee Members

Must be elected by  
**October 31, 2005**

Each district elects delegates at their district meeting. Contact your District Director for further information.

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