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President's Welcome

On behalf of the Alabama Home Builders Foundation Board of Directors and the Past Associate Committee Presidents who organize the annual Foundation Golf Classic, I would like to welcome each of you to Greenville. Your participation in this tournament helps to ensure that the Foundation can continue to do what we've been doing since 1995: to educate our state's future work force... our future employees and members.

I want to especially thank this year's Golf Classic major sponsors:

Alabama Foundation Specialists, Alabama Power, Alagasco, Boral Building Products, Capital Growth Buchalter, Touchstone Energy Cooperatives and UBS Financial Services. We also have a host of hole sponsors for which we are incredibly grateful as well. The importance of their support of this event and the Foundation cannot be overstated.

We hope that you enjoy all of the festivities and have a great round of golf while playing for a great cause!

*-Todd Slyman
2016 AHB Foundation President*



2016 Scholarship Report at a Glance

Dozens of students will soon be getting the education they need to enter the building workforce, thanks to the funds generated through the annual Alabama Home Builders Foundation Golf Classic.

The Foundation's scholarship committee met on April 13 and awarded \$40,000 in scholarships to 60 students from across the state. Some of the trades that were supported included carpentry, HVAC, electrical technology and masonry.

The majority of the scholarship funding comes from the proceeds of the Golf Classic, which is the primary fundraiser for the Foundation. Since its

inception in 1995, the Foundation has awarded over 1,000 scholarships totalling more than \$532,000.

The Foundation board members recognize the importance in focusing on the skilled trades in particular as the need for them is critical for the future of our industry. According to the US Department of Labor, the average projected growth through 2024 in the trades listed is over 12%. Most professions can expect less than 6% growth in that same period. There is a demand for the skilled trades and our opportunity and challenge is to meet it.

Designated Scholarships Awarded

The Foundation's scholarship committee had over 130 scholarship applications to evaluate for scholarship support. During the extensive review process, ten student applications stood out as being ideal candidates to receive one of the following designated scholarships.

Aubrey E. Buchalter and Barbara H. Buchalter Designated Scholarships:

- Alex Kirkland – Junior at the University of Alabama studying construction management
- Benjamin Powell – Freshman at the University of Alabama studying civil engineering

Bentley Owens Designated Scholarship:

- Matthew Holland – Senior at Gadsden State studying electrical technology

Malone McQueen Designated Scholarships:

- Justin Cade Mobley – Freshman at Wallace State in Dothan studying industrial maintenance
- Frank Moody – Sophomore at Auburn University studying building science
- Alden Pettway – Sophomore at Wallace State in Selma studying masonry
- Thades Rich – Freshman at Fortis studying HVAC
- Cedric Russell – Freshman at Lawson State studying plumbing
- Demartae Shackelford – Freshman at Auburn University studying building science

Past Presidents Designated Scholarship:

- Carson Phillips – Sophomore at the University of Alabama studying mechanical engineering

Foundation Scholarship Presented to First Female SkillsUSA AL Carpentry Contest Winner



Peggy Turner, who is currently serving as one of the AHB Foundation Directors, recently presented a scholarship to Carly Stanford, the 2016 SkillsUSA high school division carpentry winner. Carly, who will graduate from St. Clair County's Eden Technical Center this month, is the first female in the history of SkillsUSA AL to win the carpentry contest.

Free Carpentry Classes Set for Shelby, Limestone Counties

Adults in Shelby and Limestone Counties will once again have the opportunity to learn skills to help them enter the homebuilding industry, thanks to a partnership between the Alabama Home Builders Foundation and local career tech schools.

The Foundation is continuing its popular basic residential carpentry certificate program this fall. The classes meet two nights a week for 8 weeks with classroom and hands-on work to give students a basic understanding of the residential carpentry field.

There is no cost to the students to attend the program, which is underwritten by the Foundation. However, there is an application process and students are selected primarily based on their interest in working in the homebuilding industry. Classes are limited to 15 students each.

The program will be offered September 27-November 15 at the Shelby County College and Career Center in Columbiana, and September 29-November 17 at the Limestone County Career Tech Center in Athens.

For information about the basic residential carpentry program, contact Artemis Moore, AHB Foundation Director, at 1-800-745-4222 or email artemismoore@hbaa.org. You may also find details on the Foundation website, www.ahbfoundation.org.



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