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Fourteenth Annual Schweiger Memorial Scholarship Winners Selected

Portland, OR – The Schweiger Memorial Scholarship Fund and Advanced American Construction, (AAC) of Portland have selected 13 students to receive \$39,000 in scholarships for the 2013-2014 school year. To date, the Fund has awarded 170 scholarships, ranging from \$5,000 to \$2,000, and totaling \$424,000. From a field of 39 applicants, the Selection Committee chose those that best demonstrated academic and extra-curricular excellence in the pursuit of careers in construction and construction-related fields. Two-time recipient Tasha Petermann states, “The message of the Schweiger Memorial Scholarship helps keep me motivated to do my best in school and reminds me that perseverance and keeping a positive attitude is what I need to focus on to achieve my career goals. Forrest and his father, Konrad Schweiger is one of the many reasons why I want to be involved in a construction-related field of work. To be able to work with amazing people like them while helping my community is my dream career and hopefully I will be in a position to someday help others who are pursuing the same dream.”

The following scholarship awardees will be honored at the Fourteenth Annual Schweiger Memorial Scholarship Awards Dinner and Silent Auction to be held Friday, April 26, 2013, at The Governor Hotel in Portland, Oregon:

- **Jakob Neuenschwander** of Boring, Oregon is a sophomore at Oregon State University, pursuing a degree in Mechanical Engineering.
Scholarship Award: \$5,000
- **Devin Wyckoff** of Buxton, Oregon is a freshman at Oregon State University pursuing a degree in Mechanical Engineering.
Scholarship Award: \$5,000
- **Tasha Petermann** of Kennewick, Washington is a freshman at Montana State University pursuing a degree in Civil Engineering.
Scholarship Award: \$5,000
- **Jason Powell** of Corvallis, Oregon is a senior at Oregon State University pursuing a degree in Construction Engineering Management.
Scholarship Award: \$3,000
- **Juliana Porter** of Tualatin, Oregon is a freshman at University of Southern California pursuing a degree in Civil Engineering.
Scholarship Award: \$3,000
- **Jeff Nakashima** of Lake Oswego, Oregon is a sophomore at Oregon State University pursuing a degree in Construction Engineering Management.
Scholarship Award: \$3,000
- **Damien Pulley** of Klamath Falls, Oregon is a junior at Oregon State University pursuing a degree in Construction Engineering Management.
Scholarship Award: \$3,000
- **Levi Warriner** of Silverton, Oregon is a junior at Oregon State University pursuing a degree in Civil Engineering.
Scholarship Award: \$2,000
- **Wiley Wolfe** of Portland, Oregon is a senior at David Douglas High School and he plans on pursuing a degree in Chemical Engineering at Oregon State University.
Scholarship Award: \$2,000
- **Jordan Hamilton** of Redmond, Oregon is a freshman at Oregon State University pursuing a degree in Mechanical Engineering.
Scholarship Award: \$2,000
- **Colby GeDeros** of Coquille, Oregon is a sophomore at Oregon State University pursuing a degree in Civil Engineering.
Scholarship Award: \$2,000
- **Sara Ashback** of Ridgefield, Washington is a senior at Skyview High School and plans on pursuing a degree in Civil Engineering at Montana State University.
Scholarship Award: \$2,000
- **Sade' Beasley** of Portland, Oregon is a freshman at Oregon State University pursuing a degree in Civil Engineering.
Scholarship Award: \$2,000

"I am always amazed at the quality of the students that apply. While it's rewarding to review the accomplishments of these future members of the construction industry, the task of selecting the scholarship recipients from the great applications we receive gets harder every year!" says Dee Burch, President of Advanced American Construction.

Originally, the Scholarship Fund was formed in honor of Forrest L. Schweiger, who lost his life at the age of 26 in a construction-related accident. Forrest was an employee of Advanced American Diving Service, Inc. (AADS) and son of AADS co-founder, Konrad L. Schweiger. The Fund now commemorates the lives of both Forrest and his father, Konrad, who passed away in April 2002. The success and continuation of the Schweiger Memorial Scholarship Fund is made possible with the generous financial contributions received from the customers, vendors, employees, and friends of Advanced American Construction, Inc.

Oregon Iron Works, Inc. (OIW) and Hamilton Construction have been big contributors to the Fund over the years. They are sponsoring two of the \$5,000 scholarships this year. "We are glad to be a part of this great program honoring the great representatives of the construction industry, past and present," says Corey Yraguen, OIW President. The Oregon-Columbia chapter of AGC is another significant contributor through the AGC Foundation.

This year's selection committee for the Schweiger Memorial Scholarship Fund recipients included Hal Pritchett, Professor Emeritus at Oregon State University; Jan Strombeck, retired formerly with Oregon State University; Dave Buelow, retired formerly with Wells Fargo Insurance Services; Mike McNulty of West Coast Bank; John Weisner of Coral Construction Company; Sue Clark of CNA Surety; Corey Yraguen of Oregon Iron Works; Scott Williams of Hamilton Construction; Cindy Schweiger; and Dee Burch, Mike and Holly Johns, Tim Nelson, Grayson Hart, Kainan Bodenlos, Kyle Izatt and Jake Duyck of Advanced American Construction, Inc.

Specializing in heavy civil/marine and industrial construction since 1983, Advanced American Construction is a recognized leader in marine construction throughout the western United States. The McNary Dam Juvenile Bypass System Outfall Pipe Relocation project was the recipient of the 2013 AGC Alliant Build America Award in the Federal & Heavy Renovation division.

For pictures and additional information on the Schweiger Memorial Scholarship Fund, please visit www.CallAAC.com. For award dinner tickets and donations, please contact Advanced American Construction, Inc. at (503) 445-9000.

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