

COF Announces Scholarship Winners for 2008

Ten deserving dependents of PHS Commissioned Officers have been awarded COF sponsored scholarships for the 2008-2009 academic year. Winners were chosen by a panel of PHS Commissioned Officers.

Congratulations to the following:

Klint Peebles, from Nashville, TN winner of one of two **Captain Ray D. Crossley, II, (Ret.) scholarship** winners. He is presently working towards his Neuroscience Degree at Vanderbilt University. His COA sponsor is his father Captain Johnny B. Peebles, USPHS (Ret).

Laura A. Divel, from Rockville, MD winner of the **Ronald Lessing Memorial Scholarship**. Laura is attending the University of Notre Dame pursuing a degree in Civil Engineering. Her COA sponsor is her mother, Captain Josephine E. Divel, USPHS.

Laura Walsh, from Bethesda, MD is the winner of the second **Captain Ray D. Crossley, II, (Ret.) scholarship**. She has just begun her studies at the University of Virginia, Charlottesville. Her COA sponsor is Captain Thomas Walsh, USPHS.

Tristan D. McGuire, from Gaithersburg, MD is the winner of the **Fort Duchesne Scholarship**. He is attending the University of Southern California, working towards a degree in Architecture. His COA sponsor is his mother, Captain Marie A. Schroeder, USPHS.

Erin Price-Wright, from Phoenix, AZ is the winner of the **Atlanta Branch Scholarship**. She has just begun her studies at Stanford University. Her COA sponsor is LCDR Deborah Price, USPHS.

Preston Tilus, from Tucson, AZ is the winner of the **OBC Class 004 Scholarship**. He is attending the University of Arizona. His major is Computer Science. His COA sponsor is LT Michael Tilus, USPHS.

Caitrin O'Brien, from Potomac, MD is the winner of the **Bemidji Branch Scholarship**. She is majoring in Economics-Government (Dual) Leadership Sequence at Claremont McKenna College. Her COA sponsor is Captain Thomas R. O'Brien, USPHS.

Andrew McGuire, from Gaithersburg, MD is the winner of the **Oklahoma Branch Scholarship**. He is attending the University of Southern California, working towards a degree in Mechanical Engineering. His COA sponsor is his mother, Captain Marie A. Schroeder, USPHS.

Kayla Meeks, from Tuttle, OK is the winner of the **Rio Grande Branch Scholarship**. Kayla attends East Central University, in Ada, OK. Her goal is to become a physical Therapist. Her COA sponsor is her father Captain Kevin Meeks, USPHS.

Ashlee Walker, from Germantown, MD is the winner of the **PHS Commissioned Officers Foundation Scholarship**. She is just beginning her studies at the University of Maryland, College Park, MD. Her COA sponsor is Captain O'Neal A. Walker, USPHS.

Scholarships are funded by individuals, including PHS officers both active and retired, COA branches and other organizations for as little as \$250. Persons interested in contributing to the scholarship fund, want more information or whose dependents may wish to apply for an award are encouraged to contact Brian McSheffrey, the Foundation's Development Director at 1-866-366-9593. He can also be reached at bmsheffrey@coausphs.org.