

The WBMA Educational Link Scholarship Fund

2006 Scholarship Recipients

Whitney Margaret Billman graduated from Southbridge High School this June, in Kennewick, WA. She will be attending the University of Nebraska to study Middle School Education.



During high school Whitney was active on the swim team, softball, track & field and the cheer squad as well as the yearbook managing editor.

Whitney hopes to be the best middle school teacher that she can be.

Jacoben Wolfe Tone is attending Montana State University in Bozeman, MT currently studying Mechanical Engineering.



When he is not attending school he works at a local lumberyard as a CDL driver and customer service representative.

Jacoben is interested in pursuing a career in the medical field to someday help engineer devices that save lives.



Melissa A. Grothe graduated from Astoria High School this June, in Astoria, OR. She will be attending the University of Portland to study Elementary Education.

During high school Melissa was active in the marching band as the Drum Major earning her the honor of Drum Major of the year in 2004. She was also participated in softball and volunteered at her local library.

Her long term goals are to become either a fourth or fifth grade teacher and in the future perhaps an administrator.

Melissa N. Schaefer has attended Bellingham Technical College and will be attending Clark College in Vancouver, WA. She is in the process of getting her Registered Nursing License.



Melissa hopes to work with people of all ages and backgrounds in a hospital setting with her primary focus in the neonatal intensive care unit.

The WBMA Educational Link Scholarship Fund was established by the members of Western Building Material Association for the purpose of assisting in providing higher education opportunities for children of members' employees, and the employees themselves. The Link Fund is in its 14th year and recently awarded four \$1,650 scholarships to the above recipients. Scholarship amounts are determined by the interest income generated from the fund each year. The caliber of individuals applying for the scholarships is inspiring, reinforcing the fact that there continues to be a lot of very fine people in our industry. This perpetual fund can help see that these individuals develop into solid leaders of tomorrow by affording them the opportunity for higher education. The Link Fund receives its growth from the raffle held during WBMA's Annual Convention and other company contributions received throughout the year. The Link Fund has also grown through memorials as industry members remember their colleagues and loved ones. Your contribution qualifies as tax deductible to the non-profit WBMA Link Scholarship Fund, incorporated in the State of Washington. Contributions can be sent to the WBMA office at PO Box 1699 - Olympia, Washington, 98507.