

**Report of the
Board of Directors
of the
CWA Joe Beirne
Foundation
to the
77th Annual Convention**



**Communications Workers of America
July 29-31, 2019
Las Vegas, Nevada**



Joseph Anthony Beirne — 1911-1974

The CWA Joe Beirne Foundation presents its report to the 77th Convention of the Communications Workers of America.

Current Activities Review

The foundation granted 16 first-year scholarships of \$4,000 each for 2018-19 and 16 second-year scholarships of \$3,000 each for 2017-18. At the 2018 annual meeting the foundation approved 16 first-year scholarships of \$4,000 each for 2019-20.

The Joe Bierne Foundation has contributed \$10,000 to the CUNY School of Labor and Urban Studies (formerly The Murphy Institute) Diversity Scholarship Program. The CUNY School of Labor and Urban Studies Scholarship expects to award eight scholarships over the next year; students will receive up to \$30,000 each. In addition to a monetary award, recipients will be provided with mentorship, internship opportunities, and an exceptional program of study with some of the most acclaimed labor studies faculty in the country. With these incentives, we expect to attract a pool of young social justice activists from around the country.

Respectfully,

Chris Shelton, President
Sara Steffens, Secretary-Treasurer
Larry Cohen, Vice President
Morton Bahr, Vice President

CWA JOE BEIRNE SCHOLARSHIP FIRST-YEAR WINNERS 2019-20

| WINNER | RELATIONSHIP TO CWA MEMBER | LOCAL |
|---------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------|
| Devin Malbreaux | Son of Catherine Stevenson | 1105 |
| Ashley Cook | Daughter of Caprecia Jackson-Cook | 1038 |
| William Idzinski | Son of Kim Idzinski | 81408 |
| Abigail Rodriguez | Member | 1045 |
| Stephanie Shamah | Daughter of Billy Shamah | 1104 |
| Madison Metague | Daughter of David Metague | 13000 |
| Keshaun Baxter | Son of Cira Baxter | 3641 |
| Amber Betz | Daughter of David Betz | 3905 |
| Marcus Jenkins | Son of Lisa O'Neal-Jenkins | 4009 |
| Cameron Camp | Daughter of Vanessa Ogletree | 54043 |
| Shannon Lund | Son of Cecelia Lund | 6222 |
| Elena YellowBird | Granddaughter of Fenella Bergeson | 7500 |
| Hailee Schalwig | Daughter of Shari Wojtowicz | 7250 |
| Farrah Ghazi Moradi | Daughter of Ryan Castro | 9416 |
| Annika Carroll | Daughter of Joanne Schnurr | 30205 |
| Jenifer Norwell | Member | 30213 |

CWA JOE BEIRNE SCHOLARSHIP SECOND-YEAR WINNERS 2018-19

| WINNER | RELATIONSHIP TO CWA MEMBER | LOCAL |
|------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------|
| Samuel Melcher | Son of Elin Melcher-Wilder | 1108 |
| Justin Gozalez | Son of Richard Gozalez | 1101 |
| Emily Antonacci | Granddaughter of Peter Cirillo | 1104 |
| Joseph Chiusano | Son of Joseph Chiusano | 1039 |
| Xavier Ashlock | Son of Charles Ashlock | 13000 |
| Ryan Bayonne | Son of Jeff Bayonne | 3263 |
| Charles Farrar | Son of Charles Farrar | 3603 |
| Phillip Hawkins | Son of Brenda Hawkins | 24008 |
| Sandra Debnar | Daughter of Sandra Debnar | 14503 |
| Nicole Huette | Daughter of Kim Huette | 6001 |
| Daniel Johnson | Son of Doug Johnson | 6215 |
| Steven Harmon | Son of Seven Harmon | 7777 |
| Jorge Rico | Son of Jorge Rico | 9575 |
| Nicholas Jenkins | Son of Todd Jenkins | 9588 |
| Grace MacLeod | Daughter of Elizabeth Payne | 30205 |
| Alexa Carroll | Daughter of Joanne Schnurr | 30205 |