



To: The Links, Incorporated- Tacoma (WA) Chapter
From: Scholarship Committee Report
Date: April 27, 2019

I. The Links Scholarship Committee held its annual reception for scholarship recipients on March 31, 2019 at the Rotunda Building at Clover Park Technical College. It was well attended by students, family members and Links members. It was a huge success as we received rave reviews from parents and students and positive feedback from Links members. The keynote speaker, Monique Dubose, was engaging and related well to the students. The Scholars' panel, consisting of former Links scholars, did an outstanding job, informing students of what to expect during their first year of college and beyond. Parents also were enlightened and informed during this portion of the program.

Each Scholarship Committee member did a superb job executing tasks assigned to her. The Committee will meet next month to debrief and discuss how to further refine our scholarship program, the application process, selection process, etc. The Committee would like to thank Madam President, Link Melva, Link JoAnn and others who assisted in making the program a success.

II. Palmer's Scholars Luncheon- *Stand Up and Cheer*-The Palmers Scholars luncheon was held on April 23, 2019 at the Bicentennial Pavilion. It was a huge success attended by at least thirteen Links members. A special tribute was made on behalf of Peggy Palmer, the late daughter of Mr. Palmer, who died suddenly and unexpectedly in the early part of the year. Steve Schain received the first *Peggy Palmer Award for Excellence in Mentoring*. It was very well deserved and he is largely responsible for the partnership that later developed between the Tacoma (WA) Links Chapter and Palmers Scholars. The Superintendent of Public Instruction, Chris Reykdal, did a marvelous job motivating the audience to open its purses to give generously to Palmers Scholars. Our Palmer Scholar, *Brooklyn Hose* was present and can be seen in some of the photographs. She is a delightful young lady; we are positive we made the right decision in selecting her as our Links Palmer Scholar.

III. The scholarship committee received an additional \$3,000 to award in scholarships for 2019 from the family foundation of Nancy Powell. She has supported Tacoma Links scholarships through the years and has made sizeable donations the last three years. The Committee will meet and decide how best to use this award of additional scholarship funds.

Respectfully Submitted,

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