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State Department Federal Credit Union
Awards \$20,000 to Thirteen Scholarship Winners

Alexandria, Virginia -- State Department Federal Credit Union's Board of Directors announced the winners of their Twenty-fifth Annual Scholarship Competition. Since the competition's inception in 1976, SDFCU has awarded more than \$120,000 in scholarships. This year's \$20,000 award fund was divided among thirteen recipients.

SDFCU's 2002 Scholarship Competition winners are:

Tasha Campbell

Cornell University
Psychology

Doris Robinson

Trinity College
Communications

Paulette Grady

University of the District of Columbia
Computer Science/Software Applications Option

Claudia Crowell

University of Washington
Medicine

Jehan Jones

George Washington University
International Studies

Nune Pambukhchyan

George Washington University
Computer Science

Gregory Wang

University of Maryland
Medicine

Jessica Lieberman

George Washington University
Political Science

Cara Staley

University of Akron School of Law
Law

David Bilinovich

National University
Organizational Behavior

Helen Iwobi

University of the District of Columbia
AAS Nursing

Delicia Mckenzie

Towson University
Psychology, Community Counseling

Ewa Skoczylas

California Institute of Integral Studies
Psychology

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"We are pleased to award \$20,000 in scholarships to our academically outstanding members," said John C. Adkin, President/CEO of SDFCU. "We value education and assist our members by providing scholarships and education loans."

To qualify for the scholarship competition, students must be SDFCU members and have completed a minimum of 12 credit hours at an accredited college or university. The competition is open to both graduates and undergraduates who meet certain GPA and financial criteria.

The Scholarship Competition was established in 1976. Since then, the annual award fund has increased from \$2,000 to \$20,000. Each year in February, scholarship applications are available by mail, online and at the Credit Union's five branches. All applications and transcripts must be received by mid-April for consideration.

In addition to scholarship funds, SDFCU offers education loans for students and their parents to finance college tuition -- Federal Stafford Loans (both subsidized and unsubsidized) and Federal Parent Loans to Undergraduate Students (PLUS).

State Department Federal Credit Union serves employees of the State Department worldwide. The Credit Union also serves National Credit Union Administration employees. SDFCU has assets exceeding \$573 million with more than 58,000 members. See our website at www.sdfcu.org for more information.

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