THE INTERNATIONAL PROPELLER CLUB

OF THE UNITED STATES

**PORT OF TACOMA**

**LELLI MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**

The 2018 Lelli Memorial Scholarship competition was held on April 18th. Eighteen of thirty Pierce County public high schools were represented. The scholarship applicants were selected by their high school scholarship committee. Local businesses sponsored the student and student’s chaperone for the day’s activities. These businesses included: ILWU Local 22, Art Morrison Enterprise, Auto Warehousing Company, Blue Chip Properties, Concrete Technology, Goodstein Law Group, Husky Terminal, ILWU Local 98, Jen & Chris Brown, Jones Stevedoring, Northwest Wire Rope & Sling, Pierce County Central Labor Council, PRS Group, Soundview UniServ Council, Sperry Ocean Dock, Tacoma Rail, Targa Sound Terminal, TOTE Maritime Alaska, and Washington United Terminals. Other contributors included Aequalis Photography, Port of Tacoma, and Trident Seafood.

The day included a bus tour of the Port of Tacoma, lunch, student presentations, an afternoon tour of the sponsor’s business, and dinner at the monthly meeting of the Tacoma Propeller Club held at the Tacoma Yacht Club.

The scholarship is awarded to the student with the highest score computed from grade point, community and school involvement, financial need, letter of recommendation, and a verbal presentation, by five judges. This year’s topic was, “For your career after graduation, if you could choose any job at or related to the Port of Tacoma, what would it be, why, and what kind of difference do you think you could make in that position?”.

The 2018 recipient of the $4,000.00 Lelli Memorial Scholarship award was Eleanor Tieman from Gig Harbor School. A second place award of $2,000.00 was presented to Jared Smith from Sumner High School, and third place, with an award of $1,500.00, went to Hope Springer of Wilson High School. $200.00 cash was awarded to the following scholarship participants: Gwendolyn Denigris of Bethel High School, Tyra Lindula of Bonney Lake High School, Petra Cole of Eatonville High School, David Echaniz of Fife High School, Jesus Untalan of Foss High School, Keisha Laguer of Harrison Prep, David Yun of Lakes High School, Duku Wani of Lincoln High School, Hazel Stipes of Mt. Tahoma High School, April Tallent of Orting High School, Carly Cashman-DiBiase of Peninsula High School, Emily Tecayehuatl of Science& Math Institute, Mei-Yun Loya of Stadium High School, Shaniya Singh of Washington High School, and Madeline Emerson of White River High School.

The total scholarship award for 2018 was $10,500, with a twenty-five (25) year total of over $179,500.00 in cash and merchandise.

Management of the Lelli Scholarship is overseen by the “Past Presidents’ Club” of The International Propeller Club of the United States – Port of Tacoma chapter. The committee consists of: Susan Becklund Millikan; Rori Lelli-Bates, Farmhouse Clutter; Ron Mason; Candy Nigretto, Port of Tacoma; John Page, Tacoma Public Schools; and Linda Troeh, Targa Sound Terminal.

The Lelli Memorial Scholarship Fund is supported by contributions from the Tacoma Propeller Club, its members, local businesses, labor, memorials, private donations, and local charities and foundations. Donations may be made to: Tacoma Propeller Club, Lelli Memorial Scholarship Fund, P. O. Box 453, Tacoma, WA, 98401.