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Dear Colleagues:

We're ready, once again, to kick off the CWA Joe Beirne Foundation's annual scholarship offerings for the 2009-2010 school year.

The Foundation's Board of Directors has approved the awarding of fifteen (15) partial college scholarships of up to \$3,000 each, and the winners also will receive second-year scholarships for the same amount, contingent upon satisfactory academic achievement.

Eligible for the scholarships are CWA members, their spouses, children and grandchildren, including the dependents of retired, laid-off, or deceased members. Applicants must be high school graduates or high school students who will graduate during the year in which they apply. Undergraduate and graduate students returning to school may also apply.

Applications will be available solely online for completion and submission to the Foundation's website: <http://www.cwa-union.org/members/beirne/>. Applications will be accepted until March 31, 2009. The winners will be chosen by lottery from those submitting the required essay. Additional information about the program can be found at the website.

This valuable scholarship program is made possible by the funding of CWA locals. For those locals not yet participating in funding the Beirne scholarships, I urge you to do so. Financial arrangements can be made to accommodate your local's needs. For more information and assistance, please call 202.434.1427.

Attached is the poster announcing the program for 2009, which can be circulated electronically or downloaded, printed and distributed at your work locations.

In Unity,

Larry Cohen
President
Attachment