WASHINGTON DUO WINS FALCONER FOUNDATION BREWING SCHOLARSHIPS

Two Washingtonians have been named recipients of the Glen Hay Falconer Foundation 2005 Brewing Scholarships. A five-person Selection Committee chose Jenn Gridley of Fish Brewing and Markus Stinson of Elysian Brewing from an outstanding group of applicants from Washington, Oregon, Northern California, Alaska, and Hawaii.

Jenn and Markus will attend the World Brewing Academy's Concise Course in Brewing Technology held at Siebel Institute of Technology's Chicago campus in early November. The brewing scholarship is a full-tuition grant that is offered with the generous cosponsorship of the Siebel Institute. The Concise Course in Brewing Technology is a two-week intensive program that covers every topic critical to successful brewery operations. The program is designed for brewers pursuing a wider knowledge of professional brewing standards and techniques in order to advance their brewing careers, as well as individuals planning to enter the brewing industry.

The Selection Committee, consisting of Tom Dalldorf of Celebrator Beer News, John Harris of Full Sail Brewing, John Maier of Rogue Ales, Ralph Olson of Hopunion and Chris Studach of Cascade Brewers Society, truly had the unenviable task of choosing only two recipients from the diverse group of deserving candidates. Each Selection Committee member related how impressed they were by the incredible quality and depth of accomplishment of all the applicants, with one member simply stating that "there are just too many qualified candidates."

In making its final decision, the Selection Committee members were impressed by Jenn and Markus's demonstrated accomplishment and dedication to furthering their brewing skills. In the words of a Selection Committee member: "Jenn and Markus' insatiable thirst for knowledge and quest for creativity embodies the spirit of what the Glen Hay Falconer Foundation is all about."

The Foundation extends congratulations to Jenn and Markus and sincere appreciation to all the applicants for their interest and enthusiasm for the brewing scholarships. The Foundation also thanks the Selection Committee for its dedication and energies and wishes to express its deep gratitude to the Siebel Institute for its co-sponsorship and its continuing support for the Foundation and its brewing scholarship program.

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