

ESEYC Seeks Applicants

For Teacher Education Scholarships

PRESCOTT –The Education Scholarship Endowment-Yavapai County approved the awarding of scholarships worth no less than \$1,500 to qualified aspiring teachers from Yavapai County.

“It well may be a scholarship will amount to even more money than \$1,500, depending upon the number of applications we receive,” said Robert St. Clair, ECEYC board president. “We hope applicants come from throughout Yavapai County.

St. Clair explained that the screening process is rigorous, so candidates selected for the scholarships may receive even more money if the candidate pool does not meet application standards.

“Our purpose in awarding these scholarships is to encourage persons truly committed to classroom teaching as a career,” he said. “Our purpose is to fulfill the vision of the late Gladys Gardner, who founded the ESEYC in 2001 because she was such a strong advocate for educational excellence in the classroom.”

Gardner, a Prescott resident until her death, was a former teacher who became a state legislator and then a Yavapai County Supervisor.

Applications can be accessed online at <http://www.education-scholarships-yavapai.org> or by contacting the ESEYC office at [928 442-5139](tel:9284425139). Application deadline is March 7.

Winning applicants will be honored during an awards luncheon May 6 at the Hassayampa Inn in Prescott.

During the past 15 years, 128 scholarships have been awarded for a total of \$223,800.

In other board business, members elected officers and board members for the coming year.

Those elected were Robert St. Clair, Prescott Valley—president; Cory Gardner, Prescott, vice president; Tim Carter, Prescott, secretary; Ray Newton, Prescott; treasurer; and board members Nancy Baker, Danny Brown, Tara O’Neill, Margaret Savoini, Loren Thomas, all from Prescott; and Ron Minnich, Chino Valley; and Paul Zienka, Cottonwood.

All board members are volunteers for the non-profit philanthropic foundation.

