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UPE Newsbrief – **Scholarship Awards** - September 2010

2010 Scholarship Awards - Each summer the Executive Council of Upsilon Pi Epsilon evaluates a large number of scholarship applications from students at both the undergraduate and graduate levels. All scholarship applicants are required to complete a comprehensive application form including a statement on their long-term plans for the profession, a summary of their contributions to their respective UPE chapters and related student activities at their university. Applicants are also required to submit all college-level transcripts and a recommendation from the UPE faculty adviser. Council is pleased to present our list of Scholarship Awards for 2010.

UPE Named Scholarship Awards (\$1,500 per award) – These awards are named in honor of two UPE pioneers. Dr. Dan Drew was the principal advisor to the six CS students who are credited with the founding of UPE at Texas A&M University. Dr. Nolen started the UPE chapter at Baylor University and was a significant contributor to student-related activities of the ACM.

Dan Drew Award: Robert John Woodward, University of Nebraska – Lincoln (Grad)

Jim Nolen Award: Suzanne Windy McBroom, University of North Florida (UG)

UPE Special Recognition Scholarship Awards (\$1,250 per award):

Mark Joseph Jenne, Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology (UG)

Paul S. Scala, St. Joseph's College, NY (UG)

Sunny Wong, Drexel University (Grad)

UPE Scholarship Awards (\$1,000 per award):

Ajay Bandi, Mississippi State University (Grad)

Jennifer Lynn Bayzick, Ursinus College (UG)

Shellon Marcia Blackman, Nova Southeastern University (Grad)

Travis Dustin Bolinger, University of Wyoming (Grad)

Kevin Joseph Kane, California State University, Chico (UG)

Kevin Elroy Lawhon, Texas Christian University (UG)

James Eric Manthely, Jr., West Virginia University (UG)

Mary E. Remington, DePaul University (Grad)

Alicia Kathryn Rogers, Baylor University (UG)

William Russell Shore, University of North Florida (Grad)

UPE Scholarship Awards (\$750 per award):

Lewis Lundy Cawthorne, University of South Carolina – Columbia (UG)

Kendall Patrice Lundschen, Abilene Christian University (UG)

Prasanthi Thunga, University of Bridgeport (Grad)

Ying-Wooi Wan, West Virginia University (Grad)

Qingguo Wang, University of Missouri – Columbia (Grad)

Bryan Anthony Young, Baldwin-Wallace College (UG)

Other UPE Awards

ACM and IEEE-CS Awards – Each year, UPE provides funds for two \$1,000 scholarship awards to student members of the ACM and four \$500 scholarship awards to student members of the IEEE-CS. These awards were presented in Spring 2010. The names of the 2010 awardees are listed in the UPE website. Due to the high number of scholarship applicants from ACM student members, beginning in 2011, UPE will increase the number of ACM/UPE awards from two to four \$1,000 awards.

ABACUS Award – UPE will present the ABACUS Award to an outstanding CS educator in 2011. This award will be announced and presented at the National Convention of UPE in Dallas, Texas on March 11, 2010. The ABACUS Award recipient will receive a special “abacus plaque” and \$5,000 cash award from UPE.

ICPC Awards – UPE has been providing cash awards to all participating teams at the ICPC for several years. UPE will continue to provide the ICPC with funds to enhance the competition aspect of the contest. In addition, UPE will present cash awards to teams from institutions that have active chapters of UPE.

Chapter Awards – The next Annual Convention of UPE will be held in Dallas in March 2011. UPE chapters are encouraged to attend this event and have a chapter representative make a brief chapter report to the convention. UPE will present a \$100 cash award to each chapter presenter.

About Upsilon Pi Epsilon

- founded at Texas A&M University in 1967
- for students, faculty and computing professionals who exhibit superior scholastic and professional achievement in the computing & information disciplines
- the only International Honor Society for the computing and information disciplines
- recognized as such by the Association for Computing Machinery (ACM) and IEEE Computer Society
- member of the ACHS (Association of College Honor Societies) - the parent organization for all academic honor societies in North America
- founding sponsor of the ACM International Collegiate Programming Contest
- founded the Ph.D. dissertation competition for CS majors - known today as the ACM Doctoral Forum
- founding member of IFEES – International Federation of Engineering Education Societies
- has chapters at over 240 colleges and universities in the U.S. and overseas
- presents scholarship awards to student members of UPE, the ACM, and the IEEE-CS; provide grant awards to education-oriented societies including the CCSC (Consortium for Computing Sciences in Small College) and the ACM SIGCSE.

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