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Foundation Directors Approve Increase

For the second year in a row, the Haraldson Foundation Directors have agreed to increase annual scholarship distributions. Effective with the fall 2007 academic semester, scholarship distributions will be \$3,500 each semester for each student.

The purpose of this scholarship increase is to bring the Haraldson scholarship distributions in line with tuition increases allowed by the state of Texas and imposed by the university, over the past few years.

Javidpour Named UT 2006 Most Outstanding Student of the Year

For her stellar academic performance and unselfish dedication to public policy and education equality, Haraldson Scholar Pegah Javidpour was awarded the 2006 Most Outstanding Student of the Year award from The University of Texas.

While at UT, Javidpour founded the non-profit student organization, Texans CARE, to raise money and awareness for hurricane relief along the Gulf Coast. Javidpour interned at the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board in the fall of 2006, and moved to Washington D.C. in the spring of 2007 as a participant in the Bill Archer Fellowship and to work as an intern for the Mexican American Legal Defense and Educational Fund.

Haraldson Honor Students Spring 2007

Cypress Fairbanks ISD

Cypress Falls HS

Ladan Agharokh, 4.0

Endri Hoxha

Christine Nguyen, 4.0

Ira Ray

Cypress Creek HS

Whitney Reding, 4.0

Batool Alsheikh

Cypress Fairbanks HS

Simon Haidamous, 4.0

Houston ISD

Booker T. Washington HS for

Engineering Professions

Pegah Javidpour, 4.0

Bellaire HS

Belan Zhou, 4.0

Stephen F. Austin HS

Nidia Delgado

Humble ISD, Humble HS

Yi Chen

Michael Gil, 4.0

Montgomery ISD,

Montgomery HS

Kendle Wade

Conroe ISD, Oak Ridge HS

Jennifer Cooke, 4.0

Bay City ISD, Bay City HS

Shanique Roberson

The following student has maintained a perfect 4.0

for her entire undergraduate UT career:

Whitney Reding

156 hours, Architectural Engineering





2007 Haraldson Graduates

Batool Alsheikh (Cy Creek HS, Cypress Fairbanks ISD), natural sciences (pre-med). Graduated B. A. in Biology, with honors. Will enter UT Medical Branch, Galveston in the fall of 2007. Participated in Amer. Med. Student's Asso., and Arab Student Asso., and worked in the International Office at UT. Volunteered at Willowbrook Methodist Hospital in Houston, and served as a member on the Network Advisory Committee of the Mental Health Mental Retardation of Travis County in Austin.

Maresha Clark (Lamar HS, Houston ISD), nursing.

Jennifer Cook (Oak Ridge HS, Conroe ISD), journalism.

Enisa Ibrahimovic (Travis HS, Austin, ISD), psychology.

Pegah Javidpour (Booker T. Washington HS for Engineering Professions, Houston ISD), Business Honors & Management Information Systems. Studied abroad in Sao Paulo, Brazil and Monterrey, Mexico. Interned for Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board, and the Mexican American Legal Defense & Educational Fund in Washington D.C. Participant in the Bill Archer Fellowship, founded Texans CARE. This summer will be teaching Algebra and Spanish to low-income minority 8th graders in Philadelphia PA. After graduation in December 2007, Pegah will teach in an inner-city school in Teach For America Program. Pegah hopes to pursue a Master of Education in School Leadership degree, and ultimately open her own charter school for migrant farm working children in the Rio Grande Valley of Texas.

Christine O. Nguyen (Cy Falls HS, Cypress Fairbanks ISD), Finance, Business Honors, Plan II Honors.

Nicole Monsibais (Providence HS, San Antonio), Communications & Government. Interned for State Senator Van de Putte, and for the Latino Financial Issues Program in the LBJ School for Public Affairs. After her December 2006 graduation, Nicole participated in a fellowship with the Luna Scholars Program, and worked in Senator Seliger's office at the state capitol.

Whitney Reding (Cy Creek HS, Cypress Fairbanks ISD), Architectural Engineering. Graduated with a perfect 4.0. Whitney was named Vice President of Intellectual Development of Alpha Chi Omega. She was Secretary of the Architectural Engineering Institute, Treasurer of the Student Alumni Relations Team, and served as a mentor for Student Engineers Educating Kids. Whitney was also the academic committee chair for the Society of Women Engineers, and was a student participant in the College of Engineering External Advisory Committee. Upon graduation, Whitney will move back to Houston to work with ExxonMobil in their Construction Department. She will be training in Houston for a year or two before she moves overseas to work on a construction site.

Lameysha Webster (Forest Brook HS, North Forest ISD), Accounting, French. Will continue at UT for fifth year of Accounting major. After graduation in spring of 2008 will be employed as an auditor at Deloitte and Touche LLP in Dallas.

Kendle Wade (Montgomery HS, Montgomery ISD), Plan II Honors, Government. Kendle studied abroad in Senegal for the spring 2007 semester. Member of Plan II's Broccoli Project, ED 32, and later Austin's improve theater community. Participated in UT's Shakespeare at Winedale program for one year, and taught summer camp at Winedale for 3 summers. Applying for a Fulbright scholarship to examine ways that secondary schools can be improved in Africa.

Haraldson Scholars Freshman Class of 2007-2008

Ashley Jan Garcia-Rameau
St. Agnes Academy, Houston

Kelly Daria Lewis
John Marshal HS, Northside ISD
University of Texas

Victoria Nicole Rogers
Nimitz HS, Aldine ISD

Damaris Irene Hernandez
Stephen F. Austin HS, Houston
ISD

Lindsey Nicole Kopycinski
East Bernard HS, East Bernard ISD

Jaclyn Amy Reader
Splendora HS, Splendora ISD

Adithy Iyengar
Cy Springs HS, Cypress Fairbanks
ISD

Chester Phuong Nguyen
Sam Houston HS, Arlington ISD

Shelby Georgia Savony
Kilgore HS, Kilgore ISD

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