Physics Department Awards '99 - '00 Scholarships

The following scholarships have been endowed through the generous gifts of the friends and family of the UMR Physics Department. Please contact the Physics Department if you would like to add to the endowment fund of these scholarships or would like to establish a new one.

Recipients of the Harold Q Fuller Scholarship/Loan were Steve Alferink of St. Louis, MO, Banning Bozarth of Shawnee, KS, Joel Buckley of Iberia, MO, and Matt Teig of Overland Park, KS. The $1,000 scholarship/loan was endowed by the late Dr. Fuller, chair of the Physics Department from 1948 to 1970 and former dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, to recognize outstanding achievements among juniors and seniors in physics. Half of the scholarship is an interest-free loan that students begin to repay when they start their first jobs.

Recipients of the Burke H. Miller Memorial Scholarship were Orion Grimmer of Bridgeton, MO, Matt Strobel of Madison, AL, Keith Winkler of St. Louis, MO, and Josh Zirbel of Krebs, OK. This $1,000 scholarship was established by the Miller family to commemorate the academic achievements of their son, Burke, who graduated with a bachelor’s degree in physics in 1969 and later died during the Vietnam War. This award is for promising and dedicated students in physics.

The Leon E. Woodman Scholarship was awarded to Brett Maune of Washington, MO, and Curtis Stratman of Jefferson City, MO. This scholarship was established by the Woodman family in honor of Dr. Leon E. Woodman, Chair of the Physics Department from 1919 to 1948. It is offered to students in physics who are of good moral character, maintain a satisfactory grade point average, and are in financial need.

The Charles M. Rice scholarship was awarded to Joseph Barker of Oak Grove, MO, Brian Fuller, of Kansas City, MO, and Sean McKinney of Springfield, MO. This $1,000 scholarships was established in 1998-1999 through a donation by Charles M. Rice (MS ’50).

In addition to the above endowed scholarships, which are awarded annually to juniors and seniors, the department awarded Special Departmental Scholarships to the following students, who range in academic standing from freshmen to seniors: Anthony Cocciarena of Rolla, MO, Carmen Doudna of Barnesville, OH, Charlie Glaus of St. Louis, MO, Chris Lloyd of St. Louis, MO, Ryan Rule of Modesto, CA, and Kevin Zimmerman of Sedalia, MO. Also, Jennifer Adams of St. Louis, MO, was awarded Stephen P. Reed Memorial Scholarship, which is given every other year to students in mathematics or science at UMR.

Alumni support in maintaining these scholarships is sincerely appreciated. Chris Lloyd said of his scholarship “the scholarship money from the physics department helps recipients perform better in the classroom. Because I didn’t have to work to pay for my tuition, I could keep my 4.0 GPA.” Charlie Glaus commented “obviously this scholarship helped financially, but more important, it let me know that the department is aware of my hard work. It makes me feel good knowing that people do care.”

Come Back to UMR for the Millennial Homecoming

The UMR physics family invites all alumni to return to the department during Homecoming 2000, October 6-7. On Friday afternoon, October 6, we will offer a special open house for alumni and their families. Personal tours of your evolving departmental alma mater will be given.

In keeping with our established traditions, the 2000 Homecoming Colloquium will be given by a distinguished physics alumna or alumnus at 4 p.m. on Homecoming Friday. Professors Ed and Barbara Hale will host a bountiful reception of good cheer in their lovely home that evening. You can check out their fine collection of Victorian glass and furniture, and remember the camaraderie of the department.

Cole Remembered

Professor Emeritus Malcolm B. Cole passed away December 20, 1999. Cole was a member of the UMR physics faculty for 30 years. He is survived by his wife, Millie Cole, and several nieces and nephews. A memorial resolution is being prepared for presentation at the next UMR General Faculty Meeting. The memorial resolution will be published in the next issue of Matter n’ Motion.

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Endowments may be established with cash or readily marketable securities. Regardless of the amount of the endowment you wish to establish or the methods used to establish it, your investment will have a significant and long-term impact on the Physics Department and on the University of Missouri-Rolla. Please call Sandra Ogrosky or Kevin Lindsey at 1-800-392-4112 if you have any questions or wish to discuss options available to you for giving to the department.