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Tau Beta Pi Awards \$200,000 to 102 Scholars

The Fellowship Board of **Tau Beta Pi, the engineering honor society**, announces the selection of 102 Tau Beta Pi Scholars from 389 applicants for undergraduate study during the 2010-11 academic year. Most winners will receive a cash award of \$2,000 for his or her senior year of engineering study, and a few will receive \$1,000 for one semester. All Tau Beta Pi Scholarships are awarded on the competitive criteria of high scholarship, campus leadership and service, and promise of future contributions to the engineering profession. All scholars are members of Tau Beta Pi.

Of the winners, 22 are studying mechanical engineering, 20 chemical engineering, 17 electrical engineering, ten civil engineering, five industrial engineering, three biomedical engineering, three electrical & computer engineering, two each are studying aerospace engineering, biosystems engineering, computer engineering, engineering management, and engineering physics. The others are studying various areas of engineering and combinations of engineering and science.

All of this year's scholarships are named for members or corporations. The **Nagel Scholarships** are given in honor of former Secretary-Treasurer Emeritus Robert H. Nagel, P.E., *NY A '39*. Named Editor of *THE BENT* in 1942, he became Secretary-Treasurer and Editor in 1947 and served until October 1982 when he was named Secretary-Treasurer Emeritus. Mr. Nagel died in 1997 at the age of 79.

The **Record Scholarships**, awarded for the first time in 2001, commemorate Leroy E. Record, *KS A '29*, whose generous bequest will provide earnings to support awards in perpetuity.

The **Stabile Scholarships** are named for Vincent A. Stabile, *NY A '40*, whose gifts to the Association, along with gifts from the Vincent A. Stabile Foundation, have permanently endowed scholarships.

The **Dodson Scholarships** are sponsored by Charles R. Dodson, *MD B '30*, who made a generous gift to the Association in 1998. Placed in the C.R. Dodson Scholarship/Fellowship Fund, its investment earnings will support the program in perpetuity. Mr. Dodson passed away in 2003 at the age of 96.

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Ruth M. and Cleveland L. Campbell, P.E., *IA A '47*, made gifts to permanently endow the **Campbell Scholarship**. Elsa and Peter H. Soderberg, *CT A '68*, sponsor the Tau Beta Pi–**Soderberg Scholarships**, awarded for the twelfth consecutive year.

The **Scribner Scholarships** are named for A. Clayton Scribner, *NY I '29*, whose bequest to the Association in 2003 permanently endows the awards. The **Mentor Scholarship** is given in admiration of the 1926-46 automobile industry by James P. Tarwater, *MO B '51*.

In 2005, Henry M. Alford, *MS A '27*, left a bequest to the Association sufficient to endow permanently the **Alford Scholarship**. The **Althouse Scholarship** commemorates Ernest E. Althouse, *PA A '26*, who left a bequest in 2006.

The **Anonymous Scholarship** is named for a generous donor who made a gift in 2006 to fund 10 awards; and the Bose Foundation made a gift in 2009 to sponsor the fourth **Bose Scholarship**.

A 2007 bequest from the estate of Dr. Richard A. Curtis, *OH A '64*, permanently endows the **Curtis Scholarship**. The **Stanley Scholarship** is named for the 2009 Tau Beta Pi Distinguished Alumnus, Richard H. Stanley, P.E., *IA A '55*.

The **Kolff van Oosterwijk Scholarship** is named for H.L.J. Kolff van Oosterwijk, *CA A '50*, who left a bequest to Tau Beta Pi in 2008. The **Stechmeyer Scholarship** is named for John P. Stechmeyer, *OH E '48*, who left a bequest to Tau Beta Pi in 2008. The **Mitchell Scholarship** is named for George P. Mitchell, *TX A '40*, who made a special gift to the Association.

Corporations sponsor the remaining scholarships. The **Fluor Scholarship**, awarded for the tenth time, is funded by a gift from the Fluor Foundation. Awarded for the third time, the **GEICO Scholarships** are sponsored by GEICO. The **Lindeburg Scholarships** are sponsored by Professional Publications, Inc., and named for its president, Michael R. Lindeburg, P.E.

(See attached for names of winners.)

Tau Beta Pi is the National Engineering Honor Society, founded at Lehigh University in 1885. It has collegiate chapters at 236 engineering colleges in the United States and active alumnus chapters in 18 cities. It has initiated more than 514,000 members in its 125-year history and is the world's largest engineering society. (See www.tbp.org)