Introducing the 2014 Press Club Scholarship Recipients

Few professions are evolving as rapidly as the field of communications. Technology is transforming the work performed in print/broadcast media, advertising, marketing, public relations and media production.

And the skills necessary to compete for today’s communications jobs are changing just as quickly.

Each year the Press Club of Metropolitan St. Louis awards scholarships to deserving students who demonstrate a solid commitment to advancing the art of communications. These scholarships are based on essays, quality of work samples, letters of recommendation from educators, academic excellence and financial need.

The awards, ranging from $1,000 to $5,000, are made possible through the Press Club and the generosity of numerous organizations, including Missouri Professional Communications, FleishmanHillard, Times Newspapers, Webster University, the St. Louis Chapter of the Baseball Writer's Association and the St. Louis Post-Dispatch newspaper.

Please join us in honoring our 2014 scholarship winners on July 15 at the Norman Probstein Golf Clubhouse in Forest Park from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Guest speaker Wendy Wiese of Nine Network's "Donnybrook" and network news anchor for Relevant Radio will help us toast our honorees. (Hors d’oeuvres and beverages will be served. Cost: $19 per person.) RSVP (314) 449-8029 or info@stlpressclub.org

$5,000 Press Club/St. Louis Post Dispatch Davis S. Lipman Journalism Scholarship
Christa Corrigan, from St. Louis, MO, is an upcoming senior at the University of Missouri-Columbia School of Journalism. As a Print and Digital News student, Corrigan has career interests in media production, public relations and television.

$2,500 Press Club Nancy Miller Journalism Scholarship
Morgan Purdy is an upcoming junior at the University of Missouri-Columbia, originally from Ellisville, MO. With a major in journalism, Purdy is working toward a career in newspaper/magazine design.

$2,000 Press Club Media Scholarship
Jack Suntrup, a Brentwood, MO native, will be beginning his senior year at the University of Missouri-Columbia School of Journalism. With a major in print and digital news reporting and international studies, Suntrup is specifically interested in careers in newspaper development.

$1,000 Press Club Internship Scholarship
Shatera Davis, a St. Louis native, is a soon-to-be senior at the University of Missouri-Saint Louis. With a major in communications/public relations, Davis is interested in public/community relations and professional skills in development.

Davis is interning in Washington, D.C. for Congressman William Lacy Clay, Jr.
$1,000 Press Club Internship Scholarship
Laura Therese Schilli is a senior photography student at Webster University, originally from Fenton, MO. Schilli is looking to pursue a career in photography gallery management. She is interning at the Sheldon Concert Hall and Art Galleries.

$1,000 Press Club Internship Scholarship
Lauren Parker is a soon-to-be senior at Maryville University. As a strategic communication student, Parker hopes to pursue a career in public relations, social media and venue planning and development. She is the Press Club of Metropolitan St. Louis summer intern.

$1,000 Missouri Professional Communicators Journalism Foundation Scholarship
Laura Berry, from Valmeyer, IL, is an upcoming junior at St. Louis University as a public health and communications student. Berry is looking to pursue a career in public/community relations, teaching and communication research.

$1,000 Webster-Kirkwood Times/Webster University Journalism Foundation Scholarship
Regan Gillam, from Chesterfield, MO, is about to begin her senior year at Webster University as a scriptwriting student. With a May 2015 graduation date, Gillam will be looking for careers in scriptwriting.

$1,000 West End Word/Webster University Journalism Foundation Scholarship
Lauren Blankenship is about to begin her last semester at Webster University, originally from Collinsville, IL. As an advertising and marketing communication student, Blankenship has specific career interests in public/community relations and advertising.

$1,500 Baseball Writers’ Association-St. Louis Chapter Journalism Foundation Scholarship
Elizabeth Barmeier is an upcoming senior at Drury University, originally from Manchester, MO. As a multimedia production and journalism student, Barmeier plans to pursue a career in newspaper, broadcast and magazines.

$1,500 Fleishmann Hillard Journalism Foundation Scholarship
Delores McKenzie-Bush is a soon-to-be senior at St. Louis University, originally from Florissant, MO. With a major in communications, McKenzie-Bush is specifically interested in broadcasting.

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