COE COLLEGE

HONORS CONVOCATION

THE EIGHTH OF MAY
TWO THOUSAND TEN
TEN O’CLOCK A.M.
DOWS THEATRE
PROGRAM

Marie Baehr, Vice President for Academic Affairs and Dean of the Faculty, presiding

ART

Presented by Peter Thompson, Marvin D. Cone Professor of Art

Mary K. Fuller Art Prize
Natalie Bordignon
Kimberlynn Hoff

This award was endowed by Dr. and Mrs. Frederick G. Murray, Coe classes of 1895 and 1896, in honor of their relative, Mary K. Fuller, who taught art in the Cedar Rapids high schools. Dr. Murray was a Cedar Rapids physician and member of the Coe College Board of Trustees. Murray Hall was named for them and for the present generation of Murrays for their contributions and support to the College.

Susan Lawson Bouma Award in Art
Sara Happel

This award is possible due to the generous donation of Susan Lawson Bouma, class of 1959. It is awarded to a first-year, sophomore, or junior art major. First consideration is given to a student whose medium is painting.

Robert and Joan Kocher Prize in Art
Tamara Dallege
Mitch Iburg

Established in 1996, this award is made possible through a special endowment created to honor Joan and Robert (Bob) Kocher, Marvin D. Cone Professor Emeritus of Art, upon Bob's retirement from the Coe art faculty in 1995. It recognizes an art major in the field of art or art history.

Marvin Cone Art Prize
Kimberlynn Hoff
Kelsey Howard

Mrs. Winnifred Cone endowed this award in memory of her husband, Marvin Cone, who founded Coe’s Art Department in 1934 and served as its Chair until his retirement in 1960. He then became artist-in-residence until his death in 1965. He was one of Iowa’s most important regional artists. He is credited with playing an important role in the establishment of the Cedar Rapids Art Association and the consequent popularing of art in this city. Mrs. Cone passed away in 1997. This award is given to a senior art major who, in the estimation of the faculty of the art department, has produced the most outstanding body of work during the senior year.

BIOLOGY

Presented by Randolph Christensen, Assistant Professor of Biology

Outstanding First-Year Biology Award
TBA

This award recognizes the student who achieved the highest aggregate score in the first-year biology sequence: Cell and Molecular Biology, Organismal and Ecological Biology and their associated laboratories.

Outstanding Senior Award
Daniel Willmer

This award recognizes a graduating senior who has advanced the mission of the biology department by diverse, high-quality coursework, service to the department, and/or independent study.
BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION AND ECONOMICS
Presented by Pamela Carstens, Roger and Mary Baxter Professor of Business Administration and World Affairs

Harley W. Howell Prize in Business and Economics  Nicole Thiher
Harley W. Howell, Coe class of 1933, was co-founder and president of the National Marketing Firm of PHH Group, Inc. This award, endowed by the Harley W. Howell Charitable Foundation, recognizes Mr. Howell's distinguished career in the business and financial world, coupled with a high sense of civic responsibility. This award is given to a senior business and economics major for superior academic achievement, promise of a leadership career in the field, sound moral character, and campus citizenship.

Outstanding Accounting Senior  Staci Thielen
This award is available due to the contributions of the Hawkeye Chapter of the Iowa Society of the Certified Public Accountants. It is given each year to the outstanding accounting senior.

Outstanding Accounting Undergraduate  TBA
This award is made possible through a gift from the Hawkeye Chapter of the Iowa Society of Certified Public Accountants. It is presented to the outstanding accounting undergraduate.

William E. Spellman Memorial Fund Fellows  Bibek Adhikari
Scott DeAngelis
Austin Mouw
Katie Nelson
Angela Pederson
Navraj Thapa
Gifts in memory of Dr. William E. Spellman, Coe College Professor of Business Administration and Economics from 1970–1997 and the George R. Baker Professor of Business Administration and Economics since 1987, have made this award possible. Dr. Spellman was an assistant football coach from 1973–1974 and again from 1983–1987. He also served as athletic director for the College from 1991–1992. Dr. Spellman passed away in 1997. Recipients of this award, students majoring in business administration and economics, are nominated by faculty members within the department. The awards are to support research for honors theses.

LaVerne Marie Tucker Economics/Business Prize  TBA
This award is possible due to the generosity of the Tucker Manufacturing Company and Tommy Tucker Reality, owned by LaVerne Marie Tucker, Coe class of 1951, and her husband Irvin. It is presented to a student who has written the best major paper in the estimation of the Stead Department of Business Administration and Economics.

CHEMISTRY
Presented by Maria Dean, Professor of Chemistry

CRC Freshman Chemistry Achievement  Jennifer Bretscher
This award is made available through the support of the Chemical Rubber Company (CRC) Press, Inc. The recipient is the student in first-year chemistry who shows highest achievement in the courses.
Undergraduate Award for Achievement in Analytical Chemistry

Tiffany Myers

The award goes to the student with the most outstanding record in the Organic Chemistry sequence at Coe in this academic year.

Kesler Senior Chemistry Award

Caitlin Johnson

This award is made available through contributions of Eliza Hickok Kesler, Coe class of 1931, in memory of her husband, Carl C. Kesler, who was a chemist with Penick and Ford Ltd. Roby, as she was known on campus, was a long-time member of the Board of Trustees at Coe. She was the assistant program director and head of publicity for the Quiz Kids Radio Show and in 1966 was awarded the Alumni Award of Merit at Coe. Her father, Dr. Charles T. Hickok, was a long-time faculty member at Coe and is the person for whom Hickok Hall was named. Roby passed away in 2005. This award goes to the most distinguished graduating senior chemistry major.

ENGLISH

Presented by Gina Hausknecht, Professor of English

John and Mary Skandera Prize in American Literature

Joseph Ponce

Funded by former Coe Academic Dean and Mark Twain scholar, Laura Skandera-Trombley, to honor her parents, this prize goes to a student who has done distinguished work in American Literature during the current academic year.

Charles Cannon Prize for Distinguished Achievement in English

Tara Richards

In honor of Charles Cannon, scholar and teacher at Coe College, this prize is awarded to one or more seniors who, in the estimation of the department of English, have done exceptional work in the major. The prize was established in the spring of 2010 through a gift of alumnus Perry Brown.

Grail Prize in English

Kendra Olson

Professors in the department of English nominate graduating seniors who, in their estimation, are the most academically talented and who have demonstrated this talent in all of the course work. The department chooses a senior English major who has demonstrated the highest level of scholarly achievement in an honors thesis. The student also must have actively fostered a challenging intellectual environment at Coe. The prize was established in the spring of 1983 by Alumni Audrey Anderson, Coe College class of 1979, and Sharon E. Wood, Coe class of 1980, an English major.

Distinguished Achievement in Creative Writing

Jason Bradford

Awarded to the seniors who, in the estimation of the department of English, have done exceptional work in creative writing, culminating in an impressive manuscript and senior reading.

Paul Engle Prize for Creative Writing

Andrew Johnson

The Paul Engle Memorial Prize for Creative Writing is awarded to senior students who, in the estimation of the department of English, have demonstrated the highest levels of skill and imagination in a senior thesis in Creative Writing. Paul Engle Coe class of 1931, a Rhodes Scholar, was a poet, founder of the University of Iowa Writer's Workshop, and co-founder of the University of Iowa's International Writing Program.
FOREIGN LANGUAGE
Presented by John Chaimov, Associate Professor of German

Joan Locatell Carter Award in Foreign Language

Malysa Oblander

Dr. Boyd G. Carter, former Coe professor and chair of the foreign language department (1938–1945), and members of Joan Locatell Carter's family and friends made this award possible. The award is given in memory of Dr. Boyd Carter's wife, Joan Locatell Carter, who graduated from Coe in 1946 with a B.A. in Romance Languages. She never ceased to be interested and involved in the literary research of her husband. She always accompanied him on his visits to libraries and institutions in Mexico, as well as in South America and in the United States. This is awarded to the outstanding senior foreign language major.

Intermediate Foreign Language Reading and Composition

Spanish–Kelsey Heins
French–Kristin Watkins
German–TBA
Japanese–Abby Hosch

This award is made possible by Coe's foreign language department. The best students in the intermediate levels in each of French, German, Japanese and Spanish are the recipients each year.

HISTORY
Presented by David Nordmann, Associate Professor of History

John J. Murray Memorial Award

Vaclav Shatillo
Brianna Wright

This award was made possible from memorial contributions for Dr. John J. Murray, Coe professor of history from 1954 until his retirement in 1980. Dr. Murray was a Fulbright and Guggenheim scholar, and a visiting professor at the University of Cambridge, England; University of Ulster; UCLA; London School of Economics; and University of Rotterdam. He served on the National Endowment of the Humanities, was an adviser to the Folger Shakespeare Library, received the Outstanding Career and Alumni Career awards from the University of Maine, and was Knight in the Order of the Belgian Crown. This is awarded to a senior majoring in history who has distinguished himself or herself at all levels of academic achievement, especially in the field of research.

Brian L. Schappert Memorial Prize in History

Heidi Reynolds
Ryan Schisler

In 1989, during the first week of his senior year at Coe, Brian Schappert was tragically killed at his job. This award was established in 1990 by Arnold and Laura Schappert, Brian's parents, through contributions of friends and neighbors. This award recognizes a senior history or political science major who has demonstrated a serious interest in his or her studies.

MATHEMATICAL SCIENCES
Presented by Jonathan White, Associate Professor of Mathematics

Dr. and Mrs. C.J. Walter Prize in Mathematics and Computer Science

Sarah Behrens

This award was established in 1995 by C. J. Walter, a Coe mathematics faculty member in the 1960s, and currently the Dean of the College of Business Administration at California State University in Long Beach. This award recognizes a senior mathematical science student with at least a 3.5 GPA, who has demonstrated high moral character and great personal integrity.

Richard C. and Jennifer H. Hunt Prize

Mathematics–Curtis Stochl
Computer Science–Matthew D. Burch

This award is funded by Richard C. and Jennifer H. Hunt. It is presented to a student who shows a high level of competence and academic achievement in the area of mathematics.
MUSIC

Presented by Margie Marrs, Pearl M. Taylor Professor of Music

Crawford Music Prize
Matthew Wheeler

This prize is endowed through gifts from Dr George E. Crawford, former Coe trustee (1909-1930) and a pioneer Cedar Rapids physician who was one of the most consistent patrons of music at Coe and an enthusiastic supporter of the Cedar Rapids Symphony Orchestra. It was created to honor his daughter, Louise, who taught history, piano and music theory at Coe and excelled as both composer and pianist. It is awarded to an outstanding Coe senior majoring in music.

Vera Elliott Memorial Prize
Matthew Wheeler

This is awarded to a junior or senior instrumentalist who shows promise in the field of concerts.

Nelle Erwin Prize
Sarah Behrens

This award was established through the bequest of Nelle L. Erwin, Coe class of 1926, a Cedar Rapids resident who passed away in 1958. Ms. Erwin was very active in the First Presbyterian Church of Cedar Rapids, college and women’s clubs, and the Beethoven Club. This is awarded to a senior music major with the highest GPA in music theory courses.

Carrie L. Mack Prize
Sarah Behrens

This is one of Coe’s oldest awards, going back to the founding of Cedar Rapids. The award was endowed in the 1850s by Carrie L. Mack, a prominent early pianist and wife of a pioneer Cedar Rapids businessman, W. B. Mack. Her husband was the first Cedar Rapidsian to bring a load of groceries via steamship to Cedar Rapids from New York. The prize recognizes a student who has made the greatest advancement in piano study.

Velma J. MacMillan Prize
Sarah Gierach

This prize was established in 1993 by Velma J. MacMillan, Coe class of 1948, whose continued generosity and active interest in the Coe College music department is greatly appreciated. The first-year music major who displays outstanding performance capabilities, both musically and technically, and has proven involvement and interest in the music department activities is awarded this prize.

Edna Mae Sila/Alma Turecheck Endowed Music Prize
Sarah Behrens

Class of ’10

Class of ’11

These endowed funds were made possible through estate gifts of Edna Mae Sila and Alma Turecheck, both charter members of the Coe College Mu Psi Chapter of Mu Phi Epsilon, the professional music fraternity. This prize is awarded to junior and senior music majors who have the highest GPAs in music subjects.

Eleanor Taylor Research Prize
TBA

This award is made possible through contributions given to Coe College in memory of Eleanor Taylor, Coe faculty member from 1937–1973. The prize recognizes the music student who has submitted the most outstanding research paper in Music History II.

Paul S. Ray and Eleanor Taylor Prize
Renee Gapinski

Class of ’08

Janet Stone

Class of ’09

Katherine Black

Class of ’10

This prize has been endowed through contributions made in memory of Paul S. Ray and Eleanor Taylor. Mr. Ray was professor of voice, chair of music, chair of fine arts, concert choir director and lecturer in music at Coe for 43 years, retiring in 1970. Ms. Taylor taught music, organ and piano at Coe from 1937 until 1973. She was Coe College’s organist from 1937 until her retirement. She was church organist for First Presbyterian Church from 1932 until 1987. Ms. Taylor died in 1990. This award recognizes students pursuing a Bachelor of Music degree who demonstrate outstanding academic achievement.
Charles Bart Houser ’47 Memorial Music Award
Timothy Brandl
Abigail Kokontis
Heath Long

This award is due to the generosity of Dr. Ruth Yaffe, widow of Charles Bart Houser, Coe class of 1947, in his memory. Mr. Houser was a wonderfully talented musician whose organ and French horn music libraries were donated to Coe in 2004. This is awarded to a music major for outstanding performance on an acoustic musical instrument.

Dorothy Ann Kucera Niebes Piano Accompanist Award
Matthew Wheeler

This award, established by Oscar and Dorothy Ann Niebes, was first given to students in 1998, in recognition of the fifty-year membership of Dorothy Ann Kucera-Niebes, Coe class of 1940, in Mu Phi Epsilon, the international professional music fraternity. This prize is awarded to an upper-class student with any major, who has demonstrated competence as a piano accompanist, based on excellence in accompanying, scholarship, and participation in school activities during the years at Coe.

NURSING
Presented by Brenda Shostrom, Associate Professor of Nursing

Margaret Ann Bath Mahoney Nursing Prize
Eric Lunderskov

This prize is funded by a gift from Evelyn Street, Coe class of 1931, in memory of her sister, Alice Street Bath, Coe class of 1938, and in honor of her niece, Dr. Margaret Ann Bath Mahoney, whose interest and commitment to her chosen field carried her through her Ph.D. in Nursing. Evelyn Street passed away in 2003. This award is to recognize an outstanding sophomore student who has been accepted into Coe's nursing program and will begin clinical courses the following academic year.

Sigma Theta Tau Nursing Education Prize
Danielle Jamison
Terra Willis

This prize is available through funds provided by the assets of the Coe College nursing department Iota Rho Chapter of the Sigma Theta Tau International Honor Society of Nursing and through private gifts. It recognizes the outstanding junior nursing student who has successfully completed the first year of the nursing curriculum and has demonstrated excellence in scholarship, leadership potential, commitment to professional nursing, and clinical excellence.

Outstanding Senior Nursing Student
Kali Blocklinger
Kaytee Kleinmeyer

This award is made possible through the support of Coe's nursing department. It is given to a graduating senior in nursing who has shown excellence in scholarship, leadership potential, commitment to professional nursing and clinical excellence.

PHILOSOPHY AND RELIGION
Presented by John Lemos, Professor of Philosophy

First-Year Prize in Philosophy
Joridy Lyons
Christey Sharpshair

This award, established in 1999, is supported by the department of philosophy and religion. It is given to a first-year student showing promise in the study of philosophy.

First-Year Prize in Religion
Kristine Gift
Shannon Wheeler

This award, established in 1999, is supported by the department of philosophy and religion. It is given to a first-year student showing promise in the study of religion.
American Bible Society Award
Noël Rozum
This award is contributed by the American Bible Society. It supports a student in any class who has done the best work in biblical studies in a given year.

Hawkins-Shepler Memorial Prize
Kelly Carlblom
This award was established through gifts given to Coe College in 1928 by the Reverend Parren Ulysses Hawkins and Martha Shepler Hawkins, born in 1868 and 1873 respectively. They were special friends of Dr. Harry Morehouse Gage, President of Coe College from 1920–1941 and from 1957–1958. Their niece, Martha E. Shepler Allen, whom they reared, was a Coe alumna, class of 1930. The prize is given each year to a student who shows academic excellence and promise for Christian ministry and who has demonstrated leadership, character, and morality.

David Hay Memorial Research Award
Noël Rozum
Anna Tsardoulias
This award is given in honor of David Hay, a beloved and accomplished teacher and a first-rate scholar. For several years he served as the College Chaplain and taught and served as chair in the Department of Philosophy and Religion. The David Hay Memorial Research Award provides funds to support student research projects in the study of religion.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION
Presented by Larry Atwater, Assistant Professor of Physical Education

Courtney Award — Senior Female Athlete
Kelly Carlblom
Courtney Award — Senior Male Athlete
Ryan Schisler
Funds given in memory of Samuel and Myrtie Courtney by their daughters, Beth Courtney Miller, Coe class of 1936, and Gail Courtney Rittgers, Coe class of 1925, make these awards possible. They go to the senior man and senior woman with the highest GPA among all athletic letter winners.

PHYSICS
Presented by Steven Feller, B.D. Silliman Professor of Physics

Arthur Wright Erskine Physics Prize
Senior—Tyler Mullenbach
First Year—Kevin Schiroo
Jianxiong Wang
A bequest from the estate of Betsy Erskine, widow of Dr. Arthur Wright Erskine, a Cedar Rapids physician and a pioneer in the field of radiology, who died in 1952, is the source of funding for this award. Dr. Erskine received international recognition for his contribution in the field of x-rays. He was the author of a book on radiology that is considered the definitive work on the subject. The award was first given in 1998, and Erskine Advanced Imaging Center of Cedar Rapids contributed to the award endowment in 2002. These awards are given to a graduating senior and a first-year student who have excelled in the physics program.

Physics Endowed Research Prize
Saurav Bista
Ruhil Dongol
The Physics Endowed Research Prize, first awarded in 2009, is funded by an endowment established by Coe College physics faculty. This award goes to a student who has distinguished himself or herself in the performance of independent research within the physics department and externally.
Brian L. Schappert Memorial Award  Kyle Herink

In 1989, during the first week of his senior year at Coe, Brian Schappert was tragically killed at his job. This award was established in 1990 by Arnold and Laura Schappert, Brian's parents, through contributions of friends and neighbors. This award recognizes a senior history or political science major who has demonstrated a serious interest in her or his studies.

Mr. & Mrs. William P. Whipple Prize in Political Science  Kevin Dyrland

Mr. William P. Whipple, Coe class of 1935 and Coe Trustee, and Gayle Schroeder Whipple, Coe class of 1933, long-time and generous friends of Coe College have endowed this award. This award goes to an outstanding student majoring in political science.

PSYCHOLOGY

Presented by Sara Farrell, Assistant Professor of Psychology

Richard H. Bahwell Prize in Psychology  Danielle Fischbach
Emily Ingalls

This award was established in 1995 through gifts to the College to honor Richard H. Bahwell, Coe professor of psychology, at the occasion of his retirement.

SOCIOLOGY

Presented by Lisa Barnett, Associate Professor of Sociology

E.E. Ericson Award in Sociology  Kiley Schaumleffel

This award was established by the late Dr. Mary Alice Ericson, who taught sociology at Coe from 1960 through 1978. She was chair of the sociology department and was the resident ACM faculty person in Costa Rica for two terms. Her husband, Eric E. Ericson, was an English language and literature professor. Dr. Ericson passed away in 2009. This prize is awarded to the senior student who has done outstanding work in sociology. The recipient must have broad intellectual interest, concern for human welfare, have participated in activities beyond the classroom, and be likely to have a distinguished professional career.
Linnie E. Schloeman Prize in Teacher Education

Elementary Education  Samantha Irwin
Secondary Education  Ryan Schisler

This prize was established in 1976 by Dorothy Schloeman Towner, Coe class of 1921, in memory of her sister, Linnie E. Schloeman, whose interest in young and growing things made her a beloved teacher at Woodrow Wilson High School, now known as Woodrow Wilson Middle School. Dorothy Schloeman Towner was a teacher in special education and was very active in the Presbyterian Church, the American Youth Foundation, and the U.S. Special Olympics. She was also the author of the book, Listen, the Children Speak. Mrs. Towner passed away in 1979. These awards are given to junior or senior teacher education students who, in the estimation of the faculty in the department, show the most promise of becoming outstanding and dedicated teachers.

Teacher Education Human Relations Award  Mindy Jellison

This award was established by the Coe department of teacher education to recognize students in the program. The recipient of this award has demonstrated sensitivity to the needs of diverse learners and has promoted respect for all individuals in schools and society.

THEATRE ARTS

Presented by Steven Marc Weiss, Associate Professor of Theatre Arts

Dows Award  Ashley Garst

This award was established in 1983 by the theatre arts faculty to recognize graduating theatre arts majors and minors who have made an outstanding contribution and exhibited consistent leadership in the department during their undergraduate study. The recipient of this award is the graduating theatre arts major who has made an outstanding contribution and exhibited consistent leadership in the department during their undergraduate study.

Theatre Arts Undergraduate Awards for Scholarship and Leadership

First-Year Student  Keegan Jenney
Zoe Morse-Brown
Jenna Murphy

Second-Year Student  Britt Anderson

Third-Year Student  Matthew Bailey
Karin Carter
Chelsea Eickert
Brandon Palmer

This award was established in 1992 by the theatre department faculty. It is awarded to undergraduates who have maintained at least a 3.0 GPA while exhibiting leadership within the theatre arts department.

Technical Theatre Service Award  Aaron Dayton
Chelsea Eickert
Samantha Ingles
Keegan Jenney
RaeEllen Lacy
Zoe Morse-Brown
Jenna Murphy

This award is presented to students whose design and/or technical contributions to theatre department productions have significantly exceeded classroom or work study requirements.
SPECIAL AWARDS AND RECOGNITION

Alpha Lambda Delta Maria Leonard Senior Book Award  Malyssa Oblander
  Presented by Melissa Sodeman, Assistant Professor of English
  This award is due to the generosity of the national Alpha Lambda Delta. The prize is presented to a graduating senior who has maintained the highest scholastic average for the four years of those who were members of Coe College chapter of Alpha Lambda Delta Freshman Honorary Society.

Jaycees Outstanding Senior Man  Richard Appleby
  Presented by Lou Stark, Vice President for Student Affairs

Jaycees Outstanding Senior Woman  Katherine Blanchard
  Presented by Lou Stark, Vice President for Student Affairs
  These awards, made possible by the Jaycees, go to a senior man and woman for outstanding leadership to the College and/or the community.

Mortar Board Outstanding Sophomore Student  TBA
  Presented by Katheryn Paulsen, Mortar Board President
  This is awarded to a sophomore who best exemplifies the Mortar Board ideal of scholarship, leadership and service.

Stephen Phelps Prize  Coe Review–Ayla Crosswhite
  Colere–Nicholas Bertelson
  The Pearl–Jacquelyn Cuddeback
  Presented by Gina Hausknecht, Professor of English
  These awards are in honor of Stephen Phelps, Coe’s first President who served from 1881–1887, to recognize student writers whose texts appear in one of Coe’s three literary journals: Coe Review, Pearl and Colere.

Outstanding Pre-Law Student  Bradley Sloter
  Presented by Pamela Carstens, Roger and Mary Baxter Professor of Business Administration and World Affairs
  This award by the West Publishing Company goes to an outstanding senior in a pre-law program.

Phi Kappa Phi Distinguished Scholar  TBA
  Presented by David Nordmann, Associate Professor of History
Delta Eta Book Award

Presented by Jean Johnson, Director of Alumni Programs

Tri Delta–TBA
Non-Tri Delta–TBA
Non-Greek–TBA

Sachem Outstanding Male Undergraduate Award

Presented by Jared Carder, Sachem Member

This award is available through the generous contributions of Sachem alumni. This award goes to a sophomore man who exemplifies fine qualities of sportsmanship, service, leadership and scholarship, with at least a 3.2 GPA.

Strata Outstanding Sophomore Woman Award

2010–11 Elizabeth Steele
2009–10 Sarah Anciaux

This is awarded to a sophomore woman who exemplifies fine qualities of scholarship, leadership, and service.

C. Loyal W. Swanson Science Writing Award

Presented by Steven Feller, B.D. Silliman Professor of Physics

This award was made possible by Dr. C. Loyal W. Swanson Coe class of 1933, an accomplished writer and scientist, to recognize a sophomore, junior or senior majoring in natural science who shows outstanding ability and proficiency in the use of the English language in writing scientific reports.

James P. Young Essay Prize

Shane Blanz
Jennifer Bretscher
Kevin Dyrland
Hilary Gehin
Jolie LaBarre

Presented by Elaine Rydze, Assistant Professor of Physical Education

Awarded by writer Mrs. Elisabeth Larsh Young Coe class of 1962 in memory of her husband, James P. Young, French instructor at Kirkwood Community College, in recognition of three Coe College students, at least one of whom is a freshman, who have written the best essays for any course offered in the Humanities and Fine Arts Departments and Programs.
CONCLUDING REMARKS

James R. Phifer, President

2010–2011 CLARK MERIT SCHOLARS

Jennifer Ettinger
Kelsey Jipp
Joelle Ryu
Lucy Shirley
Shari Yosinski

2009–2010 CLARK MERIT SCHOLARS

Hillary Allen
Katherine Blanchard
Kelly Carlblom
Brendan George
Tyler Mullenbach

HONORS STUDENTS

Sarah Behrens
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Danielle Fischbach
Andrew Johnson
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Nathan Raymond
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Kaleen Rietcheck
Nicole Thiher
Vaclav Shatillo
Mark van der Linden
Brianna Wright
HONORS PROJECTS

Sarah Behrens
“When You Want to Lose: A Semi-group Approach to Misere Games” (Mathematics-Jonathan White, Ph.D., Associate Professor of Mathematics)

Katherine Blanchard
“What It Was, Is, Will Be” (Theatre Arts-Dennis Barnett, Ph.D., Associate Professor of Theatre Arts)

Jason Bradford
“At First Glance: Poems” (English and Creative Writing-Ann Struthers, Ph.D., Visiting Professor of English)

Kelly Carlblom
“The Contribution of Microfinance to Development Theory” (Global Development-Lynda Barrow, Ph.D., Associate Professor of Political Science)

Danielle Fischbach
“The Effects of a Writing Intervention on Writing Self-Efficacy and Locus of Control” (Psychology-Sara Farrell, Ph.D., Assistant Professor of Psychology)

Andrew Johnson
“On the Shores of Sister Mekong” (English and Creative Writing-Ann Struthers, Ph.D., Visiting Professor of English)

Tyler Mullenbach
“Structural Characterization of Barium and Calcium Borosilicate Glasses” (Physics-Steven Feller, Ph.D., B.D. Silliman Professor of Physics)

Kendra Olson
“Misrecognitions and Resurrections: Ann Radcliffe’s Subtle Rebellion in the Italian” (English-Melissa Sodeman, Ph.D., Assistant Professor of English)

Joseph Ponce
“Methods of Resurrection” (English and Creative Writing, Gordon Mennenga, M.F.A., Visiting Assistant Professor of English)

Nathan Raymond
“Strong Man Syndrome” (Theatre Arts-Steven Marc Weiss, Ph.D., Associate Professor of Theatre Arts)

Tara Richards
“Permit me the Present Tense: Margaret Atwood and the Limitations of Revisionist Mythmaking” (English-Melissa Sodeman, Ph.D., Assistant Professor of English)

Kaleen Rietcheck
“Looking for Trends: A Content Analysis of Environmental Advertising” (Business Administration-Pamela Carstens, Ph.D., Roger and Mary Baxter Professor of Business Administration and World Affairs)

Nicole Thiher
“European Colonization and Economic Development” (Economics-Mickey Wu, Ph.D., George R. Baker Professor of Business Administration and Economics)

Vaclav Shatillo
“Codification and Ritualization of Hoplite Warfare Within the Classical Polis” (History and Interdisciplinary Classics-Edmund Burke, Ph.D., Professor of Humanities)

Mark van der Linden
“Sustainable Development Initiatives in the Amazon: Lessons and Implications” (Political Science-Kimberly Lanegran, Ph.D., Assistant Professor of Political Science)

Brianna Wright
“Henry R. Luce: Bias, Ideals, and the Promotion of China (History-David Nordmann, Ph.D., Associate Professor of History)
ACADEMIC HONORARY SOCIETIES

PHI BETA KAPPA

Phi Beta Kappa was founded on December 5, 1776, at the College of William and Mary, in Williamsburg, Virginia. It was the first society to have a Greek letter name. For over 200 years, election to Phi Beta Kappa has been a recognition of intellectual capacities well employed, especially in the acquiring of an education in the liberal arts and sciences. The objectives of humane learning encouraged by Phi Beta Kappa include intellectual honesty and tolerance, range of intellectual interests, and understanding—not merely knowledge.

Hillary Allen  Emily Ingalls  Tara Richards
Joshua Barber  Andrew Johnson  Kiley Schaumleffel
Sarah Behrens  Robert Kramer  Vaclav Shatillo
Katherine Blanchard  Tyler Mullenbach  Nicole Thiher
Kelly Cariblom  Malyssa Oblander  Stacy Voccia
Kevin Dyrland  Katheryn Paulsen  Robert Welborn
Justine Erickson  Rebecca Pine  Daniel Willmer
Danielle Fischbach  Joseph Ponce  Brianna Wright
Kelsey Howard  Heidi Reynolds

PHI KAPPA PHI

Phi Kappa Phi was founded at the University of Maine in 1897. Its purpose is to recognize and encourage superior scholarship in all academic disciplines in institutions of higher learning. Election is based upon scholarship primarily, with sound character considered.

Hillary Allen  Robert Kramer  Kiley Schaumleffel
Sarah Behrens  Tyler Mullenbach  Ryan Schisler
Kevin Dyrland  Malyssa Oblander  Nicole Thiher
Justine Erickson  Rebecca Pine  Matthew Wheeler
Megan Esch  Joseph Ponce  Daniel Willmer
Renee Gapinski  Caitlin Reicks  Brianna Wright
Kellie Griffin  Heidi Reynolds  Ashley Yotty
Kelsey Howard  Tara Richards
Emily Ingalls  Vaclav Shatillo

ALPHA LAMBDA DELTA

The purpose of this society is to encourage superior scholastic attainment among students in their first year in institutions of higher education, to promote intelligent living and a continued high standard of learning, and to assist women and men in recognizing and developing meaningful goals for their roles in society. Eligibility is limited to the first year of enrollment.

(Class of 2010)

Hillary Allen  Angelyn Bock  Lauren Garcia
Richard Appleby  Cory Faris  Keli Goddard
S. Wesley Beckwith  Megan Fiala  Kelsey Howard
Sarah Behrens  Danielle Fischbach  Emily Ingalls
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CRESCENT CHAPTER MORTAR BOARD

Mortar Board was founded in 1918 as the first and only national honor society for college senior women. The society’s membership was opened to men in 1975. Mortar Board candidates are selected for outstanding leadership, scholarship and service. To be considered for membership, candidates must have reached their junior year and must have attained at least a “B” average or be in the highest 35 percent scholastically of the junior class, whichever is higher. Members are selected in the spring of each year by the outgoing chapter.

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OMICRON DELTA EPSILON

Omicron Delta Epsilon is the international honorary society in economics. Members must have at least three courses in economics numbered ECO 300 or higher. They must have a 3.25 cumulative grade point average as well as at least a 3.25 average in economics courses.

Bibek Adhikari    Austin Mouw
Kelly Carlblom    Nicole Thiher

ORDER OF OMEGA

The Order of Omega, founded in 1959, is a national leadership honor society that recognizes outstanding scholarship and leadership by members of the Greek-life community at Coe College. Selective membership in the Xi Iota Chapter is granted to eligible students who rank academically above the all-Greek system average, and who have attained a high standard of leadership in inter-Greek activities, other areas of campus involvement, and campus and community service.

Sujata Behera    Tyler Goodall    Benjamin Strever
Natalie Bordignon    Nicholas Ludwig
James Caughren    Katie Nelson

PI KAPPA LAMBDA

Pi Kappa Lambda, organized in 1918 at Northwestern University, was admitted to the Association of College Honor Societies as the representative in the field of music in 1940. Pi Kappa Lambda’s primary objective is the recognition and encouragement of the highest level of musical achievement and academic scholarship. To be elected to membership, seniors must be in the upper one-fifth of their class of music students pursuing the B.M. or B.A. in music degrees; juniors must be in the upper one-tenth of their class.

Senior — Renee Gapinski
Matthew Wheeler

Junior — Janet Stone

PI LAMBDA THETA

Pi Lambda Theta is an international honor society and professional association in education, dedicated to promoting academic excellence, providing leadership, fostering an environment for professional growth and recognizing outstanding educators. Founded in 1910 at the University of Missouri, Pi Lambda Theta is the longest-established national honor society in education and has the most stringent standards. All students must have a 3.5 grade point average on a 4.0 scale and must demonstrate an intent to pursue a career in education.

Jared Carder    Mary Millman    Amber Strang
Jacklyn Clubb    Jessica Nelsen    Tricia Tendick
Cory Faris    Malysa Oblander    Sarah Valenta
Danielle Fischbach    Cassandra Peterson    Aerial Weston
Kimberlynn Hoff    Rachel Robbins    Amber Williams
Jill Koch    Ryan Schisler
Cody Lerch    Sarah Sirgany
SIGMA BETA DELTA
Sigma Beta Delta is an honor society for students of business, management or administration who are pursuing baccalaureate or master's degrees. To be eligible for lifetime membership and national recognition, a student must rank in the upper 20 percent of the class. Sigma Beta Delta was founded as a national organization in 1994 under the auspices of Beta Gamma Sigma. The principles of the Society include wisdom, honor and the pursuit of meaningful aspirations. The Society recognizes these three qualities as being important for success in the academic realm, as well as providing guidelines which will lead to a fulfilling personal and professional life and a life distinguished by honorable service to humankind.

Seniors:
- Michael Coulter
- Megan Fiala
- Brenton Greif
- James Pitcher

Juniors:
- Nikki Reich
- Patrick Richmond
- Staci Thielens

SACHEM
Sachem is a senior men's honorary. Members are in the top 10 percent of the senior class, have at least a 3.0 grade point average and are involved in a variety of campus activities, making contributions to the college community. Seniors elect juniors for the following year's membership.

(2009–10 Inductees)
- S. Wesley Beckwith
- Megan Esch
- Danielle Fischbach
- Kelli Goddard
- Emily Ingalls
- Kayla James
- Jacqueline Moore
- Malyssa Oblander
- Catherine Schilling

(2010–11 Inductees)
- S. Wesley Beckwith
- Jared Carder
- Michael Coulter
- Nivesh Kunwar
- Travis Nissenbaum
- Kody Pudil
- Patrick Richmond
- Bradley Sloter
- Brock Yotty

PSI CHI
Psi Chi is the National Honor Society in Psychology founded in 1929 for the purposes of encouraging, stimulating, and maintaining excellence in scholarship and advancing the science of psychology. Psi Chi members must have completed three semesters of college as a psychology major, rank in the upper 35 percent of their class, have a minimum grade point average of 3.0 overall and in psychology courses and adhere to high standards of personal behavior.

(2009–10 Inductees)
- S. Wesley Beckwith
- Jared Carder
- Michael Coulter
- Nivesh Kunwar
- Travis Nissenbaum
- Kody Pudil
- Patrick Richmond
- Bradley Sloter
- Brock Yotty

(2010–11 Inductees)
- Dale Anderson
- Robert Hayes
- Justin Janss
- Ryan Jones
- Nicholas Ludwig
- Ankit Rana
- Daniel Scarrow
- Kevin Tholen
- Tyler Weeda

Seniors:
- Michael Coulter
- Megan Fiala
- Brenton Greif
- James Pitcher

Juniors:
- Nikki Reich
- Patrick Richmond
- Staci Thielens
- Scott DeAngelis
- Ha Anh Nguyen
- Shogun Pradhan
- Bradley Sloter
- Newlin Wilkins
- Adam Wright
SIGMA PI SIGMA

Sigma Pi Sigma, founded in 1921, is the national physics honor society. Chapters of the society are restricted to colleges and universities of recognized standing that offer a strong physics major. Sigma Pi Sigma exists to honor outstanding scholarship in physics; to encourage interest in physics among students at all levels; to promote an attitude of service of its members towards their fellow students, colleagues, and the public; and to provide a fellowship of persons who have excelled in physics. Election to Sigma Pi Sigma requires distinctive achievement and high scholarship in physics.

(Class of 2010 Inductees)

John Berkowitz  Michael Huff  Landon Tweeton
Saurav Bista     Michael McConnell  Adam Vitale
Matthew Burch    Joseph North      Bryan Vitale
Ruhil Dongol     Anthony O’Donovan-Zavada  Shari Yosinski
Maraunda Franke  Alexander Ramm

(Class of 2009 Inductees)

Sarah Behrens    Robert Kramer
Cory Faris       Tyler Mullenbach

STRATA

Strata, the Senior Women’s Honor Society of Coe College, is an association of members selected for distinguished ability and achievement in scholarship, leadership and service. It contributes to the self-awareness of its members and encourages and supports the advancement of the status of women. Strata also contributes to humanity at Coe College and Cedar Rapids and promotes equal opportunity among all people. It promotes campus and community awareness and understanding of Strata, its function and goals.

(2010–11 Inductees)

Kaitlyn Aman     Boyi Dong     Emily Hipps
Holly Bouma-Johnston  Maranda Franke  Katie Sherman
Erica Davison    Caitlin Gustafson  Melissa Veal

(2009–10 Inductees)

Hillary Allen  Malyssa Oblander  Tara Richards
Sarah Behrens  Katheryn Paulsen  Sarah Sirgany
Kellie Griffin  Rebecca Pine  Staci Thielen
Kelsey Howard  Heidi Reynolds  Nicole Thiher

DUET

Amanda Drish, violin
Shayla James, piano