The Foundation of the National Student Nurses Association

Press Release

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Foundation of the National Student Nurses Association Awards Promise of Nursing Regional Scholarships

Brooklyn, NY. May 21, 2015. The Foundation of the National Student Nurses' Association (FNSNA) awarded 15 *Promise of Nursing* scholarships for the 2015-2016 academic year. Sponsored by the Johnson & Johnson Campaign for Nursing's Future, the *Promise of Nursing* regional fundraising events have raised over \$18 million since 2002 for undergraduate student nursing scholarships, faculty fellowships, and nursing school grants. In addition to Johnson & Johnson, many healthcare organizations, hospitals, and community businesses have given their support to the *Promise of Nursing* regional fundraising gala events. The funds are administered by the FNSNA. Undergraduate nursing scholarships were awarded by the FNSNA in the following regions: Tennessee, Texas, and Washington. The Scholarship Selection committees, made up of faculty and students, met at FNSNA headquarters in February 2015 to review scholarship applications submitted by hundreds of applicants. Applications for the 2016-2017 academic year will soon be available on the NSNA website at http://www.forevernursing.org/.

The following nursing students are the recipients of the 2015 Promise of Nursing Regional Scholarships:

Tennessee

Alisha Tuning, Tennessee State University, Nashville, TN Allison Storrow, Belmont University, Nashville, TN Emma Fahey, Lincoln Memorial University, Harrogate, TN Niki Lovelace, Lincoln Memorial University, Harrogate, TN Sara Dugan, Middle Tennessee State University, Murfreesboro, TN

Texas

Amanda Wilkinson, University of St. Thomas, Houston, TX
Anastasia Houze, St. David's School of Nursing- Texas State University, Round Rock, TX
Benjamin England, Texas Tech Health Science Center School of Nursing - Abilene Campus, Lubbock, TX
Brenda Vela, University of Houston, Victoria, TX
Ganiyah Thurston, Prairie View A&M University, Prairie View, TX

<u>Washington</u> Ariel Babcock, Pacific Lutheran University, Tacoma, WA Catlin Camai, Grays Harbor College, Aberdeen, WA Melanie Brawley, Washington State University, Vancouver, WA Taryn Harmon, Washington State University, Vancouver, WA Theresa Cunningham, Gonzaga University, Spokane, WA

The following students and faculty selected the scholarship recipients:

Promise of Nursing Scholarship Selection Committee:

Aida L. Egues, DNP, RN, APHN-BC, CNE, Faculty Advisor, New York City College of Technology, Brooklyn, NY
Bailey Scharpf, Nursing Student, Bridgeport Hospital School of Nursing, Bridgeport, CT
Carol Toussie-Weingarten, PhD, RN, ANEF, Faculty Advisor, Villanova University, Villanova, PA
Devon Murphy, Nursing Student, Villanova University, Villanova, PA
Geraldine Moore, Faculty Advisor, Molloy College, Rockville Centre, NY
Peggy Saint-vil, Nursing Student, New York City College of Technology, Brooklyn, NY
Sally Maglione, MSN, RN, CCRN, CNE, Faculty Advisor, Bridgeport Hospital School of Nursing, Bridgeport, CT

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The Foundation of the National Student Nurses' Association, in Memory of Frances Tompkins, NSNA's first executive director (1952-1970), was established in 1974 as a 501(C) (3) charitable foundation. Through its annual scholarship award program, FNSNA has provided over two million dollars in scholarships to undergraduate nursing students.