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At UW-Richland Graduation & Awards Night: Achievement & service recognized

Service to the campus community and academic achievement were recognized during Graduation and Awards Night ceremonies held May 8 on the University of Wisconsin-Richland campus.

International students completing Youth for Understanding certificate programs were recognized. Those students are:

Laurence Beuchat, **Switzerland**;
Laura Furlanetto, **Switzerland**;
Antoni Harmsen, the **Netherlands**;
Emmanuelle Hens, **Belgium**;
JiSeon Hong, **South Korea**;

Ashif Khondoker, **Bangladesh**;
Hwa Yoon Kim, **South Korea**;
Anne Nielsen, **Denmark**;
Dong Hyun Won, **South Korea**; and
Yalan Ye, **China**.

Nana Janashia, from the Republic of **Georgia**, was recognized for completing the IREX Certificate of Program.

Students who volunteer to tutor their fellow students were applauded for their service. Those student volunteers recognized were:

Teresa Brey, **Richland Center**;
Laura Furlanetto, **Switzerland**;
Cody Harlan, **Richland Center**;
Emmanuelle Hens, **Belgium**;
Matthew Hickok, **Viroqua**;
Christine Long, **Macau**;
Robert Johnson, **Viola**;

Paul Kornacker, **Marshfield**;
Susan Lepro, **Verona**;
Stephanie McCarthy, **Richland Center**;
April Nerison, **Viroqua**;
Sean Rafajko, **Sparta**;
Rebecca Schneider, **Muscoda**; and
Caitlin Solverson, **Viroqua**.

Service with the student newspaper, Express, was recognized with Leadership Awards that went to:

Thomas Johnson, Editor-In-Chief, **Colfax**;
Matthew Hickok, Web Editor, **Viroqua**;
Robin Lawver II, Business Manager, **Avoca**;

Susan Lepro, Paper Version Editor, **Verona**;
Lisa Miller, Reporter, **LaFarge**;
Caitlyn Solverson, Managing Editor, **Viroqua**; and

Antonio Thomas Jr., Editor-In-Training, **Madison**.

The Excellence in Sociology Award was presented to Tyken Wendland, **Viola**, by Dr. Richard Eckert, assistant professor of sociology.

Dr. Scott Walter, associate professor of history, presented the Excellence in Biological Science Award to Amber Crary, **Richland Center**.

Jeffery Groves, **Lone Rock**, was named as recipient of the Magellan Award for History by Dr. Aharon Zorea, assistant professor of history.

Recognition as Future Educator of the Year was presented by Dr. Dennis Carpenter, assistant professor of psychology and advisor to Educators of the Future, to Jessica Riedel, **Muscoda**.

Eric Christianson, **Westby**, and Samantha Miller, **Wilton**, were recognized for their service as Campus View Resident Advisors

Service with Student Senate, the student government of UW-Richland, was acknowledged. Student Senate members applauded for their service were:

Stephanie McCarthy, president, **Richland Center**;
Aytan Aliyeva, **Azerbaijan**;
Eric Christianson, **Westby**;
Dustin DuCharme, **Wauzeka**;
Nick Grzenia, **Middleton**;
Abby Hall, **Warrens**;
Michelle Holman, **Oregon, WI**;
Christine Long, **Macau**;
Robert Johnson, **Viola**;
Ariam Kesete, **St. Paul, MN**;

Paul Kornacker, **Marshfield**;
Robin Lawver, **Avoca**;
Logan Mathews, **North Carolina**;
Darren McCarthy, **Richland Center**;
Joe Nelson, **Jefferson**;
Laurel Olson, **Madison**;
Sean Rafajko, **Sparta**;
Brad Yager, **Mineral Point**;
Yalan Ye, **China**; and
Jessical Zadrazil, **Muscoda**.

Campus Ambassadors, who provide valuable services throughout the year, were recognized. Honored for their campus service were Ambassador volunteers:

Tasha Bodendein, **Lone Rock**;
Jessica Downing, **Wilton**;
Lara Fairchild, **Platteville**;
Cyndara Foust, **Richland Center**;
James Goad, **Prairie du Chien**;
Stephanie McCarthy, **Richland Center**;
Jessica Riedel, **Muscoda**;
Miranda Way, **Richland Center**;
Grant Worthington, **Richland Center**;
Brad Yager, **Mineral Point**; and
Yalan Ye, **China**.

The Ron Ganser Memorial Award recognizes a student for success in both athletics and academics. Associate professor of physical education Gail Hoffman named Stephanie Mick, **Onalaska**, as the 2008-2009 recipient of this honor.

The Max Sparger Scholar-Athlete Award was presented to Kayla Leonard, **Linden**, in recognition of excellence in both academics and athletics.

When UW-Richland students named Laurie Allen, **Richland Center**, and Angie Arneson, **Westby**, from UW-Richland Food Service as Roadrunners of the Year, they received a standing ovation. This award recognizes faculty or staff for participation in and support of campus activities, accessibility to students, and a positive attitude toward UW-Richland.

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