

2009 SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS ANNOUNCED BY BUSINESS SOLUTIONS ASSOCIATION

The Educational Foundation of the Business Solutions Association announced the winners of the 2009 scholarship competition. Each year, the Foundation provides financial support to outstanding young students connected with the office products industry to help them meet their ever-rising cost of a college education.

“The winners were selected from a pool of well qualified candidates,” said Joe Templet, President, BSA Educational Foundation. “In the end, the Board of Trustees decided to award more scholarships even though the dollar amounts would be smaller. With the escalating costs of college in today’s tough economy, any assistance will help these young people receive their education.”

This year’s winners are:

- **\$2000 Scholarship in honor of Toshiyuki Horie, Pentel of America, Ltd.** – Olivia Oberndorf, sponsored by Esselte Corporation, attending Boston University.
- **\$1500 Scholarship in honor of David Anderson, Richards Pen Shop** – Christopher Creamer, sponsored by MeadWestvaco, attending Rochester Institute of Technology.
- **\$1000 Scholarship (3)** –
Matthew Cummins, sponsored by ACCO Brands, attending Harvey Mudd College, Claremont, California. Matthew is a previous BSA Scholarship recipient.

Taylor Cook, sponsored by S.P. Richards Company, Inc., attending Sarah Lawrence College.

Raj Patel, sponsored by United Stationers Supply Company, Inc., attending The College of New Jersey.

- **\$500 Scholarship (4)** –
Luke Nowicki, sponsored by Newell Rubbermaid, Inc., attending Vanderbilt University. Luke is a previous BSA Scholarship recipient.

Morgan Thullen, sponsored by Pentel of America, LTD, attending California Polytechnic University in San Luis Obispo.

David Top, sponsored by United Stationers Supply Company, Inc., attending Warner Pacific College in Portland, Oregon.

Shawn Wade, sponsored by MeadWestvaco, attending State University of New York, Morrisville College.

To qualify for a BSA Educational Foundation Scholarship, candidates must be either already at college or starting in the fall and be:

- Employed by a BSA member company.
- A relative of an employee of an BSA member company, or
- A member of a group affiliated with the business related products and services industry, or
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Awards are made on the basis of candidates' academic success, interest, special abilities, financial need and other factors. For more information, contact BSA headquarters or visit www.businesssolutionsassociation.com

The BSA Educational Foundation has awarded \$454,000.00 in scholarships since its inception in 1985 to one hundred ninety-six college students.

The BSA Scholarship Fund is supported totally by contributions. All monies received are used 100% for scholarships. Operating funds are provided by BSA. Contributions are greatly appreciated and are accepted at any time. Contributions are tax deductible. Contributions can be made in recognition of special events or in memory of deceased loved ones or friends. Single contributions of \$25,000 or more will be honored by an annual scholarship named by the contributor.

ABOUT BSA: The Business Solutions Association is comprised of manufacturer representatives, wholesalers and manufacturers whose mission is to provide a forum for the development of strategic and synergistic solutions to enhance the sale and distribution of business related products and services. BSA provides a forum for networking, education and innovative ideas. The organization strives to develop high industry standards, best practices and technological advances to promote the growth and success of the industry.