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## ContractJobHunter.com Offers Scholarships to University of Washington, Bothell Students

Bothell, Washington-- For the first time, the Northwest Chapter of the National Association of Computer Consultant Businesses will be awarding money to students in the Computing and Software Systems (CSS) program at the University of Washington, Bothell. The NACCB's endowment association, The Open Door Education Foundation, distributes scholarships nationwide to students pursuing degrees in the Information Technology arena. On Wednesday, April 4, at 4:30 PM at the University of Washington, Bothell, an awards ceremony will be held for the winners of a scholarship of up to \$5000.

The public is invited to attend the awards ceremony. It will be held in the Norman J. Rose Room, UW1 280. (Directions to the University of Washington, Bothell are available at <a href="www.bothell.washington.edu">www.bothell.washington.edu</a>, or you can call 425-352-5000.) Attendees will include sponsors Jerry and Jan Erickson, Representative Kathy Lambert from the 45<sup>th</sup>

District, award recipients and their family members and friends, and scholarship committee members. Chancellor Warren Buck will welcome those attending the awards ceremony.

This scholarship is a portion of a generous donation to The Open Door Education Foundation of \$50,000 from ContractJobHunter.com. The company wanted to ensure that \$10,000 of their donation to the fund remained here in the Northwest Chapter for scholarships at the University of Washington, Bothell. Another portion of this amount will be awarded Autumn Quarter 2001. The Open Door Education Foundation is thrilled about this considerable contribution.

ContractJobHunter.com is a founding member of The Open Door Education Foundation. Jerry and Jan Erickson are the owners of ContractJobHunter.com. and Contract Employment Weekly magazine. ContractJobHunter.com is an Internet job board dedicated to helping engineering, IT/IS, and technical job seekers find nationwide contract job openings. *CJhunter* is the online resource of C.E. Publications, which has also published *Contract Employment Weekly*, a trade magazine designed especially to help contractors and consultants in their search for employment. Although C.E. Publications' offices are in Bothell, they have served the contract staffing industry throughout the U.S., Canada, and overseas, since 1969.

The scholarship committee that selects the winners of the scholarship award includes Gayle Purintun of Issaquah, the Northwest Chapter Representative of the Open Door Education Foundation and Shari Glory of Macrostaff in Bellevue, also a Northwest Chapter Representative. "Currently there is a huge demand for individuals in the Information Technology field. I feel honored to be a part of efforts to encourage America's youth to pursue Computer Science degrees and careers," Purintun said. "The difficult part will be choosing the winners of this award, as the UW Bothell students are highly qualified."

Winners are selected from a pool of candidates on the basis of overall GPA, GPA for computer-related classes, financial need, and extra-curricular activities involving computers, school service, community service, and work experience.

The University of Washington, Bothell sincerely thanks the Ericksons for their gracious donation, which will greatly encourage and facilitate the educational and career endeavors of students in the Computing and Software Systems program at UW Bothell.

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