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### LOCAL STUDENTS WIN OPEN DOOR EDUCATION FOUNDATION INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SCHOLARSHIP

- *The Northwest Chapter of the National Association of Computer Consultant Businesses announces Pacific Northwest scholarship award.*
- *Local business leaders help open education doors for area students.*
- *Award ceremony to be held at the University of Washington, Bothell, Room UW1 280, on Wednesday, October 17 at 3:30 to 4:30 PM.*

Bothell, WA – October 10, 2001, **four students at the University of Washington, Bothell have won Open Door Education Foundation (ODEF) scholarships in recognition of their scholastic achievements and potential contributions to the information technology field. The Open Door Education Foundation, in conjunction with the Northwest Chapter of the National Association of Computer Consultant Businesses (NWACCB), will award four scholarships up to \$1,500 each to Kieu Ho, Dane Sundberg, Katherine Corbett, and Steven Baer in a ceremony at the University of Washington, Bothell, Room UW1 280, on October 17 at 3:30 to 4:30 PM.**

**Each of the award recipients is enrolled in the Computing and Software Systems B.S. Program at the University of Washington, Bothell. These students each express enthusiasm and demonstrate exceptional capabilities and great potential for working and contributing in the information technology field. The ODEF is excited to be able to award these outstanding students with the Open Door Scholarship to help each of them achieve her and his full potential and goals. The Northwest Chapter is pleased to be working with the Open Door Education Foundation to open doors for America's future computer professionals in the Pacific Northwest area.**



**The Open Door Education Foundation was founded in 1998 by a dedicated group of IT professionals with a vision to help open the doors for America's future computer professionals and maintain America's global leadership in information technology. Foundation programs include: 17 regional scholarship programs, a public education outreach website at [www.kays2IT.org](http://www.kays2IT.org), and a corporate/educator liaison initiative that brings local industry and educators together to build the necessary curriculum for the next generation of IT professionals. The ODEF is an affiliate of the National Association of Computer Consultant Professionals, the only trade association solely devoted to representing the interests of IT services firms.**

**Among guests attending the award ceremony will be members of the NWACCB, ODEF Scholarship Committee members, and local donors Jerry and Jan Erickson. The Ericksons are owners of Bothell-based ContractJobHunter.com and Contract Employment Weekly magazine. As founders to the Open Door Education Foundation in the Pacific Northwest area, Jerry and Jan donate generously to the foundation, demonstrating their commitment to increasing local educational opportunities for IT professionals.**