

TRIO DAY RECEPTION HONORS SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

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BILLINGS -- Forty-nine Rocky Mountain College students will be recognized for their achievements during the annual TRIO Day reception, Thursday, March 17, 2011, at 3:00 p.m. , in Fraley Lounge, in the Bair Family Student Center, on the campus of Rocky Mountain College.

The students are recipients of the Services for Academic Success (SAS) academic scholarships and travel stipends. “We are understandably proud of our students, who have had to overcome significant barriers and challenges in pursuit of a college education,” said Jane Van Dyk, SAS director. “On TRIO Day, it’s appropriate to recognize and honor our students who have succeeded in college with the support from this program.”

Forty-two students will receive the academic scholarships: Heather Arkell, Kayla Baisch, Cory Berry, Nicholas Codd, Odessa Conley, Tahani Dalrymple, Tessa Dion, Trent Dugger, Janice Durney, Kyle Eike, Peter Fowler, Marianne Freeborn, Betsy French, Brandon Haggard, Cody Halverson, Joshua Harris, Brian Kelleher, Catherine Kenney, Benjamin King, Colleen Kinsey, Noah Kiprono, Marni Magnuson, Rebecca Maier, Luke Martinson, Shane McClurg, James Miller, Jacqueline Nelson, Robin Packrick, Paxton Paynter, Jerome Rangitsch, Jubal Rife, Mollie Rose, Ashley Roseboom, Katherine Sizemore, Muriah Stahl, Angela Stewart, Stefani Tift, Leah Sticka, Melissa Tower, Henry Winters, Lance Yellowmule, and Nicole Zuniga.

Seven students will receive travel stipends for faculty-led study trips to the Galapagos Islands, Israel, and Puget Sound. Those students are Christina Lasater, D’Jeane Peters, Michelle Feller, Travis Mummey, Jessica Olson, Ian Erickson, and Britney Cheff.

The scholarships are funded by a grant from the U.S. Department of Education and a private foundation grant. SAS is a TRIO program, the name given to a series of

programs established by Congress over 30 years ago to enable Americans, regardless of race, ethnic background or economic circumstance, to successfully enter college and graduate.

The reception is free and open to the public.

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