KFT Hosts Reception Honoring Scholarship Recipients

The Kean Federation of Teachers (KFT) hosted a reception honoring six KFT Scholarship Award recipients on May 2. The KFT Scholarship Committee, chaired by Dr. Jacqueline Keil, assistant professor in the Department of Sociology and Anthropology, evaluated 36 applications based on an essay, record of academic achievement and demonstrated financial need. This year, students could choose from two essay categories, consisting of a main essay focusing on the responsibilities of the educated, or a special essay, in honor of the late Dr. Karen Stern, concentrating on a member of the Kean University community who has made a difference in the candidate’s life and their plans for passing this legacy on to others. Stern served as chair of the Department of Occupational Therapy, as well as the 2005 – 2006 KFT Scholarship Committee.

KFT Scholars and Categories

Full-time Undergraduate Awards
Wendy Batson-Pasqua, Junior, Teacher of Students with Disabilities/K-5
Catherine Gorbatuk, Junior, Early Childhood Education

Full-time Graduate Awards
Naama Jakobov, Occupational Therapy
Heather Reiner, School Psychology and Professional Diploma

Special Essay Award in Memory of Karen Stern
Emily Olsen, Graduate Student, Education Administration Supervisor/Principal
Andre R. Turner, Junior, Management Science/Management

KFT Scholarship Committee
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