2008 National Residence Hall Honorary Award Descriptions

**Steven Conroy Award**
For Excellence and Dedication in Residence Life

The Steven Conroy Award was developed in 1987 to honor a graduating senior who was dedicated to residence hall living. Each year, the Conroy Award honors a University resident whose ambition, enthusiasm, compassion, and service enrich the residence hall community.

Steven Conroy was a student at Creighton University in the 1980’s whose hard work and dedication helped to found the first CU Residence Hall Council. This award is given in his memory to someone who has given of his/her time, energy, and self towards making the residence halls a better place.

When considering who should receive this award, the committee will take into consideration the following criteria:
- A student of senior standing whom has lived in the residence halls a minimum of six semesters
- Contributed to residence hall living throughout his/her time living in the residence halls.
- Currently resides in on-campus housing.
- Has an overall GPA of 2.5.
- Has demonstrated a commitment to Jesuit values and the mission of Creighton University.

**Timothy J. Sully Commitment to Residence Hall Excellence Award**
For a faculty or staff member who demonstrates exemplary performance and service to promote growth in the Creighton University residence hall community.

The Timothy J. Sully Commitment to Residence Hall Excellence Award was developed in 2001 to honor a faculty or staff member who has dedicated him or herself in an extraordinary fashion to residence hall living. This annual award will honor a CU Staff member or member of the Faculty whose dedication, enthusiasm, compassion, and service have enriched the residence hall community. This faculty or staff member must have demonstrated exemplary service to promote growth in the CU residence hall community during his/her time at Creighton. The award is not time-specific; a new faculty/staff member may be recognized just as one who has given many years of service.

When considering who should receive this award, the committee will take into consideration the following criteria:
- A professional (faculty or staff) who has been employed by Creighton University for, at the minimum, the past academic year.
- Contributed to residence hall living throughout his/her time at Creighton.
- Has demonstrated a commitment to Jesuit values and the mission of Creighton University.
- Has promoted a sense of community and encouraged growth in the residents with whom he/she works, perhaps by participating in or putting on programs, developing community, or otherwise encouraging growth of the whole person.
**Student Staff Award**
For a Student Staff member who demonstrates exemplary performance and service to promote growth in the Creighton University residence hall community within that academic year.

The Student Staff Award was developed in 2001 to honor any student staff member, usually a sophomore, junior, or senior who has dedicated him or herself to residence hall living. This annual Award will honor a University RA, ARD, or Health Aide whose dedication, enthusiasm, compassion, and service enrich the residence hall community.

When considering who should receive this award, the committee will take into consideration the following criteria:
- A student of sophomore, junior, or senior standing whom has lived in the residence halls or apartments a minimum of 3 semesters.
- Contributed to residence hall living throughout their time living in the residence halls.
- Currently resides in on-campus housing.
- Has an overall GPA of 2.5.
- Must be in good employment standing with the Department of Residence Life.
- Has demonstrated a commitment to Jesuit values and the mission of Creighton University.
- Has promoted a sense of community and encouraged growth in the residents he/she with whom he/she works.

**First Year Experience Award**
For a freshman or first-year transfer student who demonstrates exemplary service to Creighton University in promoting residence hall and campus living community.

First Year Experience award is a newly-established award in 2007 by the Fr. John Holbrook Chapter of the National Residence Hall Honorary to recognize the outstanding contributions of a first year student. This award encourages involved first year students living in the residence halls to remain active in leadership positions and to continue improving the residence hall environment on campus.

When considering who should receive this award, the committee will take into consideration the following criteria:
- A student of freshman standing or first-year transfer student whom has lived in the residence halls or apartments a minimum of 1 semester.
- Contributed to residence hall living throughout their time living in the residence halls.
- Currently resides in on-campus housing.
- Has an overall GPA of 2.5.
- Has demonstrated a commitment to Jesuit values and the mission of Creighton University.
- Has promoted a sense of community along her/his peers.

The National Residence Hall Honorary Award winners are recognized with a gift given to the recipient at the Division of Student Services Awards Night on March 27, 2008 and by having his/her name engraved on a plaque that is located in the Residence Life office.