



AHS International has kicked off a **VFF 50th Anniversary Capital Campaign** this year to increase the size of its endowment, in the hopes that a sustained annual scholarship award level of \$100,000 can be reached. For more information on the Vertical Flight Foundation or to donate to this important cause, please visit our VFF microsite at www.vtol.org/vff. Donations can be designated for “VFF50”. A list of all past VFF scholarship winners and success stories are also available.

At the banquet, Dr. Jing Yen, a retired director at Bell Helicopter and an AHS Honorary Fellow, urged the audience and the broader technical community to give generously to the VFF Scholarship Fund. Leading by example, he has pledged to donate \$6,000 each year for the rest of his life (see pg. 64).

Congratulations to the following VFF scholarship recipients, some of the future leaders of the vertical flight technical community:

Bachelor Degree Recipients

- Mr. Carter Forry, The Pennsylvania State University — Leonard J. LeVasser Scholarship
- Ms. Kanika Gakhar, Texas A&M University College Station — Bell Helicopter Vertical Flight Scholarship
- Mr. Riley Hereford, Mississippi State University — Dr. Samuel Tribble Crews, V, Scholarship
- Mr. James Kenna, The Pennsylvania State University — John J. Schneider Scholarship,
- Mr. Francisco F. Pastrana, Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University — Barry J. Baskett Scholarship
- Mr. Robert Veltre, The Pennsylvania State University — Dr. E. Roberts (Bob) Wood Scholarship

Master Degree Recipients

- Mr. Noah A. Bern, Georgia Institute of Technology — Charles C. Crawford Scholarship
- Ms. Angelina Conti, The Pennsylvania State University — Frank N. Piasecki Scholarship

- Mr. Tanner D. Harms, University of Wyoming — Jeff Pino Scholarship
- Mr. Thomas A. Herrmann, University of Maryland College Park — Marat N. Tishchenko Scholarship
- Mr. Zhongqi Jia, University of California Davis — Dr. Richard M. Carlson Scholarship
- Mr. Adam Kellen, Texas A&M University College Station — Eugene K. Liberatore Scholarship
- Mr. Zheping Pan, Nanjing University of Aeronautics & Astronautics — John D. (Jack) Mimnaugh Scholarship
- Mr. Ryan Patterson, University of Michigan — Santino (Tino) Pancotti Scholarship
- Mr. Tyler Sinotte, University of Maryland College Park — Alfred Gessow Scholarship
- Mr. Daiju Uehara, University of Texas Austin — Tom Wood Honorary Scholarship
- Mr. Wei Yan, Nanjing University of Aeronautics & Astronautics — Hal Andrews Scholarship

Doctorate Degree Recipients

- Mr. Etienne Demers Bouchard, Georgia Institute of Technology — Henrich Focke Scholarship
- Mr. Nandeesh Hiremath, Georgia Institute of Technology — Raymond W. Prouty Scholarship
- Mr. Jayanth Krishnamurthi, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute — Joseph P. Cribbins Scholarship
- Mr. Matthew J. Krott, The Pennsylvania State University — Glidden S. Doman Scholarship
- Mr. Michael William Malick, Washington University in St. Louis — St. Louis Chapter Scholarship
- Ms. Vidhyashree Nagaraju, University of Massachusetts Dartmouth — Dr. Jing Yen Scholarship for Cost Awareness
- Mr. Dhwanil Shukla, Georgia Institute of Technology — Dr. John Zuk Scholarship