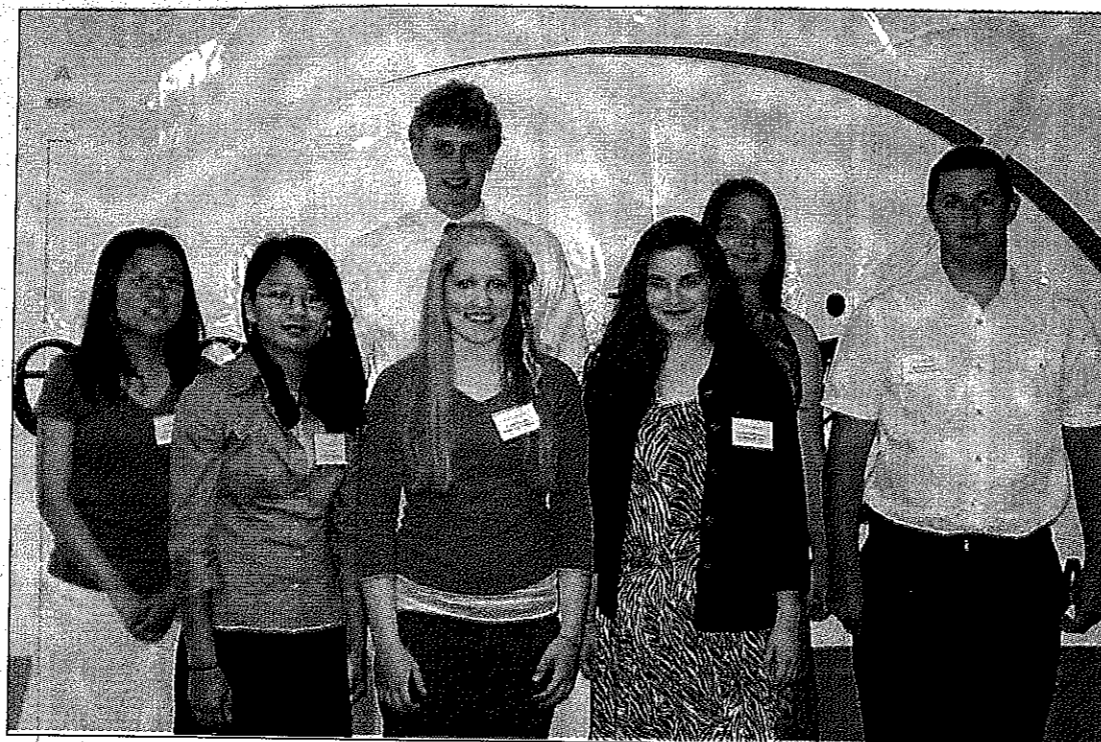


# Foundation awards seven scholarships to local students



The seven EnergySolutions Foundation scholarship award winners were honored at a luncheon recently. Katherine Xue of Oak Ridge, the distinguished award recipient, is on the far left.

## Katherine Xue from Oak Ridge is awarded \$25,000 scholarship

The EnergySolutions Foundation announced seven scholarship recipients at a luncheon on Friday, June 8, at the Oak Ridge Chamber of Commerce.

The EnergySolutions Foundation began the scholarship program in 2006 as a way to promote the study of math, science, and engineering in college to help foster the next generation of professionals in these disciplines. Each recipient will receive a scholarship award of \$2,000 upon entering college. Additionally, EnergySolutions awarded each recipient a new laptop computer. Additionally, all recipients

were entered into a competition for three additional distinguished awards scholarships worth \$2,500, \$5,000 and \$25,000. The distinguished awards recipients were drawn from scholarship winners in four states.

Katherine Xue from Oak Ridge High School was the \$25,000 distinguished award recipient. Katherine has a 4.0 cumulative GPA. She is enrolled in many honors classes including Honors English and Pre-Calculus, and is enrolled in AP Physics as well. She has won numerous awards for her science and math involvement

including Tennessee Top Scorer for the National Mathcounts competition, first place at the Science Olympiad Nationals, and Reserve Champion in the Junior Division at the Southern Appalachian Science and Engineering Fair. She has also been accepted to the 2007 Tennessee Governor's School for the Sciences. She is involved with wushu (a Chinese martial art), piano, International Relations Club, Future Problem Solving Team, Interact Club, the school literary magazine, Adopt a Grandparent and other service clubs. She would like to pursue a degree in either

math or science.

Tennessee's \$2,000 distinguished award recipients were:

Amanda Howard, from Roane County High School. Amanda Howard has a 4.0 cumulative GPA. She plays the trumpet and enjoys playing in the school band. She has also done community service for homeless animals.

Brett Snipes, from Rockwood High School. Brett has a 3.7 cumulative GPA. He is involved with baseball, football, and community service for St. Jude's hospital. He has also been involved with STARS and student council.

Cara Turski, from Farragut High School. Cara has a 4.0 cumulative GPA. She is enrolled in honors classes including Honors Chemistry and Honors English. She is involved with Girl Scouts, student government, National Honors Society, Math Honors Society, and is on the Farragut High Climbing Team.

Lily Hoang, from Bearden High School from Lily has a 4.0 cumulative GPA. She is enrolled in honors classes including Honors Chemistry and Honors Algebra 2. She is involved with Mu Alpha Theta (a National Mathematics Society), National Honor Society, Key Club, 4-H, and rock climbing.

Elizabeth Hatmaker, from Karns High School. Elizabeth has a 4.0 cumulative GPA. She is enrolled in honors classes including Honors English and Honors Algebra 2. She is involved with Girl Scouts, Church, ballet and dance.

Kendrick Stiles, from South-Doyle High School. Kendrick has a 4.0 cumulative GPA. He has taken many honors classes including Honors Chemistry

and Honors Geometry. He won first place at his school science fair for a project on carbon dioxide emissions, and participated in the 2006 Regional Contest in High School Mathematics at the University of Tennessee as well as Key Club, baseball, and basketball.

"Our goal with the EnergySolutions Foundation scholarship program is to help these motivated students fulfill their

desire for a college education," said Pearl Wright, executive director of the EnergySolutions Foundation. "We are pleased with the difference this will make in the educational future of these students," said Wright.

Applications for next year's scholarships will be available in October via the EnergySolutions Foundation Web page, [www.energysolutionsfoundation.org](http://www.energysolutionsfoundation.org).

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