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IMED FUNDS SCHOLARSHIPS AT USD SCHOOL OF NURSING

IMED, the San Diego-based international manufacturer of health care technology, has awarded a second-year scholarship grant to the University of San Diego's Philip Y. Hahn School of Nursing.

Donald E. O'Neill, IMED chairman and chief executive officer, presented the \$5,100 grant on January 21 to Dr. Author E. Hughes, USD president, and Dr. Irene S. Palmer, dean of the School of Nursing.

In presenting the award, O'Neill commented on the high quality of both the faculty and the students at the nursing school. "IMED is pleased to play a role in the furthering of education of five outstanding nurses. USD's School of Nursing is nationally known for its excellent curriculum and its dedication to quality. It is an honor to be associated with such a forward-thinking nursing institution," he said.

IMED manufactures volumetric infusion pumps and gravity flow controllers for precise administration of intravenous solutions. The company developed its first pump ten years ago and since then has remained at the forefront of medical technology. In June 1982, IMED was acquired by Warner-Lambert and is a core company in the Warner-Lambert Health Technologies Group of companies.

Also attending the presentation were Richard Bushell, corporate director of operating services for IMED, and the five scholarship recipients, all graduate students pursuing the Master of Science in Nursing degree: Nancy Coffin, a native San Diegan, discharge coordinator and high-risk psychosocial nurse at Kaiser Permanente; Judith Hertz, formerly of Elizabethtown, Pennsylvania, who is with Scripps Hospital; Shelly Thomas, from Kennewick, Washington, clinical educator on the Major Surgical Floor at Mercy Hospital and Medical Center; Terry Backer of St. Louis, on the staff at Kaiser Hospital; and Kathleen Moore, New Haven, who teaches nursing at Grossmont College. Like all students at the USD School of Nursing, they are registered nurses.

Accepting the grant in behalf of the University and the USD Corporate Associates, of which IMED is a member, President Hughes expressed gratitude for IMED's support and "this expression of corporate citizenship, which recognizes the importance of advanced nurse education in our medical and social climate." Dr. Palmer said it was "gratifying to know that businesses representing consumers of nursing services in our society contribute to the support of the preparation of nurse professionals."

The Philip Y. Hahn School of Nursing is accredited on both the baccalaureate and graduate levels by the National League for Nursing, and all courses carry Board of Registered Nursing Continuing Education units for R. N. relicensure.

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