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AIA West Virginia, a Chapter of The American Institute of Architects, has announced the recipients of its annual scholarship program for West Virginia students pursuing a career in Architecture. This year, AIA West Virginia was able to award \$20,000.00 to five students, due in part to a \$1200.00 grant from the National Component of the American Institute of Architects headquartered in Washington, DC and a very generous donation from the Elliot Family Foundation in Charleston.

The 2010 scholarships are awarded as follows: A \$4000.00 scholarship to **Joshua Frick**, from Cameron, WV, who is enrolled in the Master of Architecture program at Miami University at Oxford, Ohio. In addition, Joshua will receive a \$5000.00 amount, funded by the Elliot Family Foundation. A \$6000.00 scholarship was awarded to **Sashikala Murthy**, formerly of Wheeling, who is enrolled in the Master of Architecture program at Catholic University of America in Washington, DC. A \$1000.00 scholarship was awarded to **Justin Cullen**, from Letart, WV who is enrolled in the Master of Architecture program at University of Maryland. In addition, Justin will receive the \$1500.00 Floyd J. Clingenpeel Memorial Award. The \$1500.00 Jeffrey Mayfield Memorial Award goes to **Steven Whitmore**, a senior at Fairmont State University. The \$1000.00 scholarship was awarded to **Jeffery Barr**, a junior at Fairmont State University. Students from FSU are enrolled in a 4 year Bachelor of Science of Architecture Program.

Because there is no accredited state school of Architecture, the WV Chapter of AIA has continued to support West Virginia students enrolled in out-of-state accredited programs leading to a professional degree in Architecture and continues to recognize the importance of the Architectural education to its profession and has recently voted to expand the Scholarship Program.

Members of the 2010 AIAWV Scholarship Committee are: Chair, John Harris, AIA; Jody Driggs, AIA; Phoebe Randolph, AIA; Gregory Williamson, AIA; and William Yoke, AIA.