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## Stockton College Awards Berkman-Chipkin Scholarships to Six Graduate Students

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**Galloway Township, NJ-** The Richard Stockton College of New Jersey has named the 2009-2010 awardees of the Joseph Berkman and Michael and Sara Chipkin Holocaust/Genocide Studies Scholarships, established to honor the memory of Sarah and Michael Chipkin and Joseph Berkman, victims of the Nazis during World War II and the Holocaust.

Stockton is home of the nation's first Master's program in Holocaust and Genocide Studies, a program that is attracting students from throughout the country. The students who were selected for these scholarships are all enrolled in this program.

The College also integrates Holocaust and Genocide Studies into its undergraduate curriculum, and provides teacher training in Holocaust and Genocide Education each year through its Holocaust Resource Center.

The scholarships honor Joseph Berkman who was murdered by the Nazis in 1942 in the "Killing Fields of Ponary", in Lithuania. The late Sarah and Michael Chipkin were Holocaust Survivors. They immigrated to the United States following the war and established a successful business.

The Berkman-Chipkin Scholarships for 2009-2010 are awarded to outstanding graduate students in the Master of Holocaust and Genocide Studies program (MAHG) who plan to or are currently pursuing teaching careers.

The Berkman-Chipkin Scholarships have been awarded annually since 1999 and are made possible through the continued generosity of Don and Nan Berkman and their family. Their endowment gift of \$100,000 generates income each year to support scholarship awards for Stockton's best and brightest students to study the Holocaust and other genocides. The College matches funds each year that are made available through the endowment, increasing the funds available for students.

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This year's recipients include Dorene Bohadana of Egg Harbor City, NJ; Patricia Chiappine of Hammonton, NJ; Ida Malloy of Trenton, NJ; Joshua Kalb of Mantua, NJ; Deborah Morrison of Flemington, NJ; and Erica Psaltis of Olympia, WA.

**Dorene Bohadana** lives in Egg Harbor City, NJ. Dorene is currently taking her second course in the MAHG program. She served in the U.S. Air Force as a Captain during the 1990s. Dorene earned a B.A. in Geology with a minor in Jewish Studies from Stockton.

**Patricia Chiappine** lives in Hammonton, NJ. She plans to teach secondary students about the Holocaust, other genocides, human rights, and tolerance. Patricia is currently conducting research for her thesis on postwar German restitution to wartime slave laborers. She is considering applying to Ph.D. programs.

**Ida Malloy** lives in Trenton, NJ. She is a full-time teacher at The Pennington School where she taught courses about the Holocaust and other genocides. Last year she was awarded the Joan Lavine Keats Social Justice Award from Rider University.

**Joshua Kalb** lives in Mantua, NJ. Mr. Kalb is a full-time social studies teacher at Deptford High School where he and his students wrote letters to their representatives urging them to take action on the genocide in Darfur. Joshua recently completed his first semester of the MAHG program.

**Deborah Morrison** lives in Flemington, NJ. Deborah plans to pursue a doctoral degree upon completion of the MAHG program.

**Erica Psaltis** lives in Olympia, WA. Erica's goal is earn a doctoral degree after completing Stockton's M.A. in Holocaust and Genocide Studies. She has traveled to various countries to study post-genocidal societies.

The Stockton College Scholarship Program provides merit awards to outstanding freshmen, upperclassmen, and transfer and graduate students. The program is supported by private gifts to the Richard Stockton College Foundation and institutional funds made available by the College. Students may apply to the Scholarship Program on an annual basis. Successful applicants exhibit high academic achievement as well as leadership and service to the College and community. Award recipients maintain a minimum grade point average of 3.0 and are fully matriculated students.

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