

HONORS AND AWARDS:
Singular Publishing Scholarship
Stacy L. Williams

The Singular Publishing Scholarship was established two years ago as the result of a vision of our friend, Sadanand Singh. It was designed for doctoral students in communication sciences and disorders with the expressed purpose of recognizing excellence in the development of innovative technology. Although the name of the company has changed, it continues to be supported by our friends at Singular Delmar Learning. I would like to recognize Mr. Bill Brottmiller of Singular Delmar Learning.

Like most Sadanand visions, the effects of the Singular Publishing Scholarship extend past the obvious and approach the sublime. The scholarship serves a multiplicity of purposes: it promotes technological innovation; it fosters creativity; it promotes scholarship; and it ultimately results in improved services for those whom we strive to serve.

In the one score and four years of its existence, the Council has seen continued growth of the profession and a continued improvement in the services we deliver to persons with communication disorders. The talent that brings forth those improvements and innovations must be continually renewed and replenished. A look around this room would prove that to be undeniable. Fostering new talent is the great consequence of the Singular Publishing Scholarship.

The winner of this year's award is developing technology to promote higher level thinking and problem solving skills for graduate Speech-Language

Pathology students. Using Simulation Technology, our recipient is developing a system that allows students to apply newly learned skills to situations occurring in a simulated, but realistic clinical setting. The ongoing project will place educational case studies on CD ROM with the objectives of

- familiarizing students with the educational work setting,
- measuring students' decision making skills,
- assessing the ability to collect information and request appropriate assessment measures, and
- developing the ability to determine an appropriate diagnosis and to formulate effective annual and short term objectives.

The project is designed to provide critical feedback to enhance student learning and to promote the uniform competency of graduate students. This exciting project truly represents the innovative use of technology for which the Singular Publishing Scholarship was intended.

The winner of this year's award was sponsored by Dr. Nancy A. Creaghead. The recipient of the 2002 Singular Publishing Scholarship is Stacy L. Williams from the University of Cincinnati.