

Names in the news

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A local nursing professor was recently awarded a three-year, \$350,000 research grant from the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation.

Michael Gates, an assistant professor at the School of Nursing at San Diego State University, was one of 15 people nationwide to win the “Nurse Faculty Scholar” award. He will research supplemental nurses and the link between the nurses and patient outcomes.

Miramar College student and single mother **Rhonda Hardey** has been awarded a \$2,500 scholarship from Executive Women International's Adult Students in Scholastic Transition. Hardey also earned an additional \$2,500 scholarship from the EWI corporate office in Salt Lake City, Utah.

Harvey, who is working toward a master's degree in nursing, said: “I am unable to afford all of the tuition, books and fees required. I am truly grateful to have received this scholarship.”

Stephanie Shook of San Diego has been awarded the first University of California Alumni “Change the World” Scholarship from UC San Diego Extension to pursue a certificate in urban planning and development.

Shook, who earned her bachelor's of science degree from UC Berkeley, works in the city's Finance Department.

The UC San Diego Extension Scholarship Committee cited Shook's “passion for transforming particular areas of blight into new, modern neighborhoods” and her volunteer efforts with San Diego's Centre City Development Corp.

All of the more than 1 million UC alumni are eligible to apply for merit scholarships of up to \$5,500 to enter any continuing education certificate or special study program offered by UC San Diego Extension.

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