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IWU Student Amy Cadwallader Awarded Fellowship April 27, 2006

BLOOMINGTON, Ill. -Illinois Wesleyan University's Amy Cadwallader has been named a 2006 Fellowship recipient by The Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi.

Cadwallader, a senior biology major from Maryland Heights, Mo., will use the fellowship to pursue a Ph.D. in biomedical sciences at the University of Michigan- Ann Arbor. She is among 100 students nationwide to receive the Phi Kappa Phi Fellowship and Award of Excellence.

Founded in 1897, Phi Kappa Phi is the oldest and largest national honor society dedicated to the recognition and promotion of academic excellence in all fields of higher education. From its beginning in 1932, the Society's Graduate Fellowship Program has become one of Phi Kappa Phi's most visible and financially well-supported endeavors. The Society has awarded approximately \$12 million since the inception of its awards program, and currently gives more than \$700,000 annually.

Headquartered on the Lousiana State University campus in Baton Rouge, La., Phi Kappa Phi has initiated over one million members. Some notable members include former President Jimmy Carter, NASA astronaut Wendy Lawrence, writer John Grisham and Netscape founder James Barksdale. The Society has chapters on nearly 300 select colleges and universities in North America and the Philippines.

The selection process for the awards is based on the applicant's undergraduate academic performance; leadership and service on campus and in the community; evidence of graduate potential; personal statement of educational perspective, purpose and objectives; and the evaluation reports from three individuals who are in a position to attest to the student's performance, citizenship and character.

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