

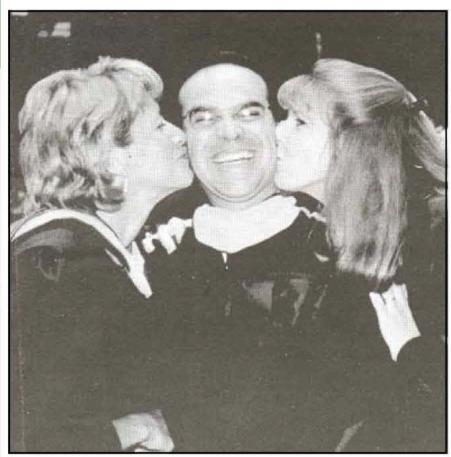
The Jan Henrick Achievement Award

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Henrick's memory creates new traditions



Jan Henrick, former Wharton guidance counselor, Eric Bergholm, former Assistant Principal for Curriculum, and current Guidance Department chair Cindy Rodgers celebrate after graduation 1999, three years before Henrick was diagnosed with breast cancer. Photo courtesy of Cindy Rodgers

Neat. Aspiring. Creative. Helpful. Ambitious. Determined. All these adjectives describe Jan Henrick.

"She was a really neat lady and a great leader to the school," Marcie Scholl, Student Intervention Specialist, said. "She did wonderful things for the students here."

Henrick, former Guidance Counselor at Wharton, created an achievement award to help students who teachers felt deserved recognition. She and her husband, Kevin Bohne, funded and started the "Jan Henrick Achievement Award" for 12 students who show the ability to make improvements in their conduct, academics, and attendance.

"It's a great thing that she started," Scholl said. "The students really enjoy it."

Jan Henrick started as an elementary PE teacher at Hunter's Green Elementary School. After doing her part for the elementary students, she decided to go back to school and get a guidance degree. Not long after, she became the Guidance Counselor at Wharton. She also taught at Plant City High School, who also participates in this award.

"Jan never had children," Scholl said. "So she wanted to do good for the kids here at Wharton and Plant City."

The award, sponsored by Kevin Bohne and Florida Gas & Electric Corporation, gives 12 students from Wharton and Plant City High Schools the award. The prize is a trip to the New Wal-Mart where Bohne and his company give each student \$150 to spend as he or she pleases.

However, the award isn't just for any student. There is an attendance criteria, where students may have no more than two excused absences during the second nine weeks; and a conduct criteria, where students cannot have any after school detention, ISS or OSS during the second nine weeks. Also, students must have earned grades of a "C" or higher, and no grades of a "D" or "F."

"We had 25 nominations this year at Wharton," Scholl said. "The staff gets the nomination letters and picks 12 students from there."

In 2002, Jan was diagnosed with breast cancer. She fought the long battle through treatments and medications, and on February 4, 2004, Jan's battle was over. She was 50 when she died.

"It's a terribly sad thing when someone, one of your good friends especially, dies before their time," Scholl said. "She is greatly missed by all."

This past December, 12 students went to Wal-Mart with their \$150 to go on the fifth annual shopping spree. Students ran into the store, eager to spend their hard-earned money. Teachers are already searching for nominations for next year.

Although she is gone, her award and memory still live on. The award is an awesome chance to contribute to the school and the community and do something good for your friends. There is a foundation sponsored by Kevin Bohne for money for next year's "Jan Henrick Achievement Award." If you would like to donate, see Scholl in Student Affairs.

~ Article reprinted from Wharton School Newspaper Article written by Kelly Boyd, Wharton Staff Writer February, 2007

In Loving Memory of Jan Henrick July 28, 1954—February 4, 2004





PAUL R. WHARTON HIGH SCHOOL

2005 Award Winners

Andreana Dlouhy Marcell Garner Miliana Hernandez Justin Lewis Carmen Rivera Michael Robinson

Magdalena Dlouhy Isaac Henderson Samuel Leathe Tequila Rainey Yolanda Rivera Dominique White































Letters of Appreciation ...

Dear Kevin,

I would like to take this opportunity to express my deepest appreciation for sponsoring the annual "Jan Henrick Achievement Award." The twelve students you reached out to appreciate someone who genuinely cares for them.

I believe that the students know that they are not alone and that they were given the power of possibilities! Thank you so much for your support in the recognition of these deserving students. I have included some notes of appreciation from the students. Enjoy!

Sincerely,

Marcie Scholl

Student Intervention Specialist Wharton High School

Dear Mr. Bohne,

I would like to take this time to thank you for your generosity. I was so ecstatic when I found out that I was chosen to be rewarded for good behavior. I had so much fun shopping for my family, friends and myself as well.

I have learned that hard work does pay off and I will keep trying to do well in school and in all things that I hope to accomplish. Thank you again for your kindness!

Love always, Andreana

Dear Mr. Bohne, as a student at Wharton High School, ?
would like to thank you so very much for helping and giving back to the commun mity. The gift you provided to us helped me greatly this Christmas year. I once again thank you very much. I was able to

To whom this may concern:

I would like to take time to thank the whole organization that was a part of the Wal-Mart shopping spree for those of us who are doing the right things in school. Thanks for recognizing my success throughout the school year and for the wonderful gifts that I was able to purchase.

I think that this is a good motivation for students because most schools would not have done that for something so little that could mean so much. Again, thank you for your support towards my success. One day I hope that other schools will appreciate their students as well as all of you have.

Thanks ~ Isaac Henderson



Letters of Appreciation...

Dear Mr. Bohne,

I think this award is a very good thing to receive. When I received it, I was very happy because it showed me that somebody really does care about the hard work and effort that some students put into their work and never get the same recognition as the kids who are already smart do. What I'm really trying to say is THANK YOU for this award and recognition. I would also like to thank you for the \$150, even though I would have been fine with just the award. It's the thought that counts as well as the time you take out of your work to do this for kids like me that work very hard. Once again, thanks and may God bless you.

P.S. If you need new workers, I'm the man!

Sincerely, D. White

Dear Mr. Bohne,

I would like to thank you very much for

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make something out of their lives. I did

wife's memory for helping to make a difference.

I was able to do so. Again,

thank you for helping to make a difference.

Sincerely, Carmen Rivera Dear Mr. Bohne,

I just want to thank you for what you have done for the kids that have shown the most progress. I am so The gift card really helped me out. We would be able to buy gifts for our able to. Once again, thank you for

Hi,

I just wanted to thank you and your wife for giving me this great opportunity. Not only me, but other students as well. I was so grateful when I found out that I had won. It's nice to know that there are people who recognize the hard work that we, as students, put forth. You didn't have to give us anything, but that's just what makes me so thankful for everything that you have done for me. This will be something that I will never forget and will always cherish because, to me, this is something that happens once in a lifetime. I want you to know that you and your wife have a nice big space in my heart reserved for both of you.

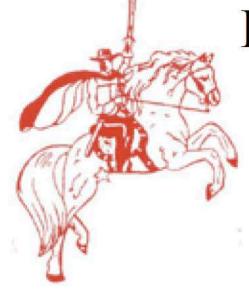
Sincerely,

Yolanda Rivera

Thank you for this experience and the chance to see what it feels like to be recognized.

Sincerely yours, Tequila Rainey

PLANT CITY HIGH SCHOOL



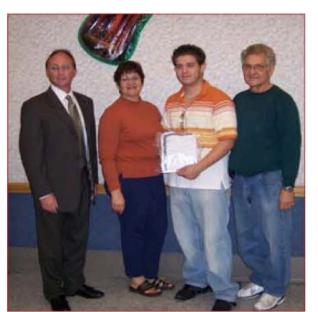
2006 Award Winers

Marissa Adum Mariah Hamilton Angelica Miranda-Vargas Francisco J. Nunez. Richard Serrano Fabian Williams

Arlene Echevarria Andres Medina Will Mitchell Virginia Schultz Gavin Stephenson Jesse Wilson



























CAMINITI EXCEPTIONAL STUDENT EDUCATION CENTER



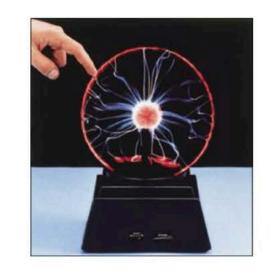
From left to right: Rick Henrick, Kevin Bohne and Robin Hilgenberg (Caminiti)

This year, we decided to meet the needs of the Pep Squad and Trainable Mentally Handicapped students with the donation given to us from the Jan Henrick Achievement Award Fund. However, most of our concentration this year was put into purchasing items that meet the needs of our more "involved" students, consisting of the Multi-handicapped and Autistic students of Caminiti Exceptional Center. Such items as: equipment for concentration skills, flags for the Pep Squad, different types of balls to stimulate visual reinforcement and gross motor movement, a Maypole to assist with social interaction and eye-hand coordination, a portable basketball system which assists with social interaction, and various visual stimulation items that assist with tracking with eyes and hands were all purchased with funds received from the Jan Henrick Achievement Award. Without these funds, most of this equipment could not be purchased. Thanks to Kevin Bohne, we are able to stimulate our population in physical education in creative ways and take our Adapted Physical Education classes to a new level!

ITEMS PURCHASED IN 2006 WITH JAN HENRICK ACHIEVEMENT AWARD FUNDS:



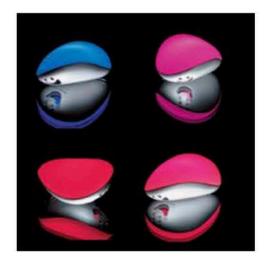




















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SCHOOL MISSION: To expand our community participation and increase the appropriate interaction between handicapped and non-handicapped individuals in order to improve the community's perception of our students.

PAST AWARD RECIPIENTS

Below are pictures of some of the students that have been previously awarded with the Jan Henrick Achievement Award, which began in 2002. Thanks to your continued support and donations, Jan's dream of rewarding students for their hard work and achievement, despite sometimes not-so-easy circumstances, remains available to these very deserving students. For donation information, please see back page.



















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WHAT IS THE JAN HENRICK ACHIEVEMENT AWARD?

Just before Christmas 2002, Jan and I had discussed what we could do that would bring hope and happiness to someone for the holidays. Jan, having retired from the school system, wanted to give something back to the school. From our efforts, we were able to enlist the support of Wharton High School, Plant City High School, and agreed on the following: ten (10) students would be chosen by faculty members who, during the year, had turned their lives around in some way (i.e. better grades, attendance and overall positive attitude, even when faced with great odds). They would each receive \$150 to spend as they pleased.

Thanks to your continuous donations, we have been able to continue Jan's wish to reward these students for their accomplishments. Now, we are able to extend her award to 12 students per school! The Jan Henrick Award is also awarded to Caminiti Exceptional Center, which is a special education school. Your contributions help give these students equipment for their play yard and high-tech equipment that can be used as teaching tools; things that otherwise would not make it into their budget. This is made possible by Robin Hilgenberg, who is to be commended for keeping Jan's wish alive by bringing joy to the children at Caminiti through funds received from the Jan Henrick Award.

Thank you everyone for your continued generosity. Your contributions will help bring hope and happiness to these special students. Remember, all proceeds (100%) are given to the students. The Jan Henrick Achievement Award, Inc. is a non-profit organization, therefore <u>your donations are TAX</u> <u>DEDUCTIBLE!</u> Included, please find a copy of our Article of Corporation for 2007.

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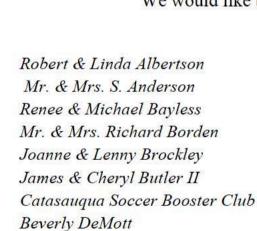
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