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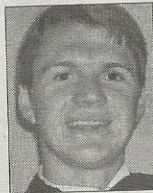
## ACHIEVEMENTS

### Student earns Eagle Scout rank

**Samuel Kenneth Swisher**, 17, son of Pam and Ken Swisher of Austin, earned the rank of Eagle Scout, the highest recognition in the Boy Scouts. Swisher helped raise funds and created a space for Gaga ball, a popular outdoor game, for Lake Travis United Methodist Church's youth group. He is a member of Troop 52, which is chartered by Emmaus Catholic Church of Lakeway, and a senior at Lake Travis High School.

### University of Texas students receive distinguished honor

Ten University of Texas students received the 2015 Intellectual Entrepreneurship



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Award from the IE Pre-Graduate Internship Program, housed within the Division of Diversity and Community Engagement and the Moody College of Communication.

The students, also known as IE Kuhn Scholars, were selected for their outstanding accomplishments achieved during their internship program. In addition, each scholar, along with their graduate student mentor, received a \$1,000 stipend provided through the efforts of Michael and Alice Kuhn and

the division.

The scholars are: Abraham Munoz, Barron Preston, Carina Guevara, Jessika Aleman, Juana Guzman, Linda Garrison, Loyce Gayo James, Melissa Forero-Rau, Melissa Garcia and Brianna Berry. Mentors are Jacek Gwizdka, John Lisle, Elizabeth McClellan, Devin Walker, Giulio Yaquinto, Marjorie May Dixon, Robbie Paras, Helen Hollis, Gabriel E. Pantoja and Colin Averill.

The Intellectual Entrepreneurship Award was created to encourage first-generation and economically-disadvantaged college students to pursue opportunities in their field of study that further enrich the pre-graduate school internship experience.

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