

## National Trig-Star Committee Selects Winners of the Richard E. Lomax National Trig-Star and Teaching Excellence Awards

The National Society of Professional Surveyors (NSPS) is pleased to announce the recipients of the 2014 Richard E. Lomax National Trig-Star Awards. The Trig-Star committee met on July 11, 2014 to determine the three top high school students from the national examinations submitted by state winners. This year there were thirty-seven state winners submitted. A past president of NSPS, Richard Lomax was the driving force behind the elevation of the local Trig-Star program to the national level. In October 1994, Board action named this high school trigonometry skill award in his honor.

*The Richard E. Lomax National Trig-Star Awards are as follows:*

- First Place: Lubin Deng, Cherry Creek High School, Greenwood Village, Colorado  
Second Place: Benjamin Fawcett, New Hanover High School, Wilmington, North Carolina  
Third Place: Natalie Sanchez, Rochester High School, Rochester, Washington

*The Richard E. Lomax National Teaching Excellence Awards are as follows:*

- First Place: Dorothy Dady, Cherry Creek High School, Greenwood Village, Colorado  
Second Place: Nicholas Corak, New Hanover High School, Wilmington, North Carolina  
Third Place: Carolyn Johnson, Rochester High School, Rochester, Washington

The first place student receives \$2,000, second place student receives \$1,000, and third place student receives \$500. The first place teacher receives \$1,000, second place teacher receives \$500, and third place teacher receives \$250. The Trig-Star Policy states that "the National Student and Teacher Awards be given to the winning students at or before the next state professional land surveying organization conference of the student's home state."

The following is a list of the remaining State Winners in the order of finish: David Stockhouse, Alaska; Stephen Joyce, Minnesota; Russell Kenney, Wyoming; Emily Parnell, Virginia; Jolyn Chance, Oregon; Anna Keri, Ohio; Crystal Nevius, Georgia; Tyler Rosenberger, Pennsylvania; Robert Ross, Indiana; Taylor McCreary, California; Kristopher Schaff, Montana; Jessica Gustad, Michigan; Jacob Zamora, Utah; Shoshaunah Jacob, Wisconsin; Sairahul Pentaparthi, Texas; Cameron Fisk, New Hampshire; Nathan DeGraaf, Iowa; Eric Pitman, Idaho; Alexander Snouffer, Maryland; Alexander Bakker, Massachusetts; James Johnson, Kentucky; Anthony Abbazia, Jr., Connecticut; Katie Kanich, Delaware; Yun Wei Yang, Nevada; Elijah Mathews, North Dakota; Evangimel Miranda, Puerto Rico; Su Yang, New York; Mathias Wingert, South Dakota; Rachel Douglass, Louisiana; Isaac Swiney, Illinois; Nicholas Tice, Maine; Matthew Harrell, Alabama; Elizabeth Goodrow, Kansas; and Zachary Wade, Missouri.

The Richard E. Lomax National Trig-Star and Teaching Excellence Awards are a few of several annual NSPS awards. For more information about the NSPS awards and scholarship programs, please contact NSPS, 5119 Pegasus Court, Frederick, MD 21704, (240) 439-4615, e-mail: Trisha Milburn at [trisha.milburn@nsps.us.com](mailto:trisha.milburn@nsps.us.com), or visit the NSPS web site at [www.nsps.us.com](http://www.nsps.us.com).