

To: Deans, Department Heads, and
Directors of Academic Counseling

From: Danita M. Brown, Ph. D.
Associate Dean of Students

Date: January 5, 2009

Re: Flora Roberts and G. A. Ross Award Nominations

The identification of the Flora Roberts and G. A. Ross recipients for 2009 begins with the call for nominations. This is your invitation to submit nominations. These are two highly prestigious awards that are critically dependent on the nominations from faculty or departmental staff. Faculty and departmental assessments of student achievement consistent with the criteria for the awards maintain the quality envisioned by Flora Roberts and G. A. Ross.

The Flora Roberts Award will be presented to the graduating senior woman who has attained a minimum of a 3.0 graduation index and who exemplifies the best characteristics of the criteria for the award. The G.A. Ross Award will be presented to the graduating senior man who meets the same standards. ("*Graduating*" can be interpreted as anyone who graduates in December 2008, May 2009, or August 2009.) Other criteria to be considered for the awards are: **Scholarship** (which can include measures beyond the required 3.0 GRD index, such as research, publications, etc.), **Leadership**, **Service** (to campus or community), and **Character**. The female and male recipients of these awards will receive: a bronze-plated medal, a certificate, a check for \$500, and each will have his/her name inscribed on the award marker located on the Purdue Mall.

A committee composed of students and a representative of the Office of the Dean of Students select the recipients of the Flora Roberts and G. A. Ross Awards from the nominations submitted by faculty and staff.

Please feel free to copy this information to share with faculty members in your area. The nomination form is attached. Nomination forms completed by faculty and staff should be returned to Danita M. Brown, Associate Dean of Students, 207 Schleman Hall, no later than February 2, 2009.

The awards will be presented at the University Honors Convocation on April 19, 2009. The individuals who nominate the award recipients and the deans of the schools in which the recipients are enrolled will be notified prior to the date of the University Honors Convocation.

Thank you for your assistance.

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