

PSU honors student employees

Jacob Stich, a senior engineering technology major from Chanute, was named Pittsburg State University's student employee of the year in ceremonies at PSU today. Jacob is the son of Phillip and Kay Stich, of Chanute. He is an assistant in the electronics technology lab in the Kansas Technology Center.

In nominating Stich, faculty wrote that his "attention to detail is unparalleled. This student routinely improves upon processes and procedures with the program, always thinking of a better way."

Another nominator wrote, "This student is a consummate professional. I am absolutely sure that he could function as a superior member in any academic program in the country."

In addition to a framed certificate, Stich received a \$75 award from the Midwest Association of Student Employment Administrators, a \$50 savings bond from Gold Bank, tickets to Silver Dollar City and a gift certificate to Chatter's Restaurant. Additionally, Stich will be nominated for the state award.

Second runner up in this year's competition was Janet Clutter, a senior elementary education major from Girard, who works in the College of Business. Janet is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Clutter. Janet received a certificate, a T-shirt and a necklace from the PSU Bookstore, a gift certificate to Café Del Rio Restaurant and two tickets to a Kansas City Royals baseball game.

The first runner up was Jennifer Waugh, a senior commercial graphics major from Cherokee, Kan. Jennifer works in the Department of Curriculum and Instruction. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Waugh. Jennifer received a certificate, a PSU T-shirt from the Jock's Nitch, a PSU necklace from the PSU Bookstore, a gift certificate to the Lotus Chinese Restaurant and two tickets to a Kansas City Royals baseball game.

David Hogard, PSU assistant director in charge of experiential programs, said PSU's approximately 700 student workers do a great deal of important work on campus. In return, he said, the students get valuable experience in the workplace.

"The students learn important work skills," Hogard said. "Many are the first persons visitors to campus meet when they enter an office. On-campus jobs are good for both the campus and students."

Hogard said the annual student employee of the year awards are one way that the campus community can express its appreciation for student workers.