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### **Chicago Section IFT Jonathan Baldwin Turner Scholarships Awarded**

#### **Two U of I Food Science Students are Awarded CSIFT-Sponsored \$10,000 Scholarships**

Samantha Larocca and Janique Tyler are the 2013 Recipients of the CSIFT-sponsored Jonathan Baldwin Turner Scholarships from the College of Agricultural, Consumer and Environmental Sciences (ACES), at the University of Illinois (U of I).

Samantha and Janique were formally awarded their scholarships during the annual Jonathan Baldwin Turner (JBT) Scholarship Program Recognition Banquet, held December 6 at the University of Illinois. The Banquet honors and recognizes JBT Scholarship recipients, their parents, and scholarship sponsors. Nancy Moriarity and Mike Wanous presented the awards, on behalf of CSIFT, at the event.

An active sponsor for several years, 2013 marks the first year that CSIFT proudly expanded its sponsorship to two student scholarships. ACES was able to award a total of fifty-four (54) JBT Scholarships in 2013 to incoming freshman students pursuing a range of majors within the college.



Samantha & Mike Wanous



Janique & Nancy Moriarity

Samantha is from Flossmoor, IL, and graduated from Homewood-Flossmoor High School. Janique is from Paris, IL, and graduated from Paris Cooperative High School. Both students are pursuing a Food Science concentration within the Food Science and Nutrition major (and aspire to pursue graduate degrees, as well). They already are proud members of CSIFT!

Samantha and Janique are well-deserving, future professionals who distinguished themselves academically, athletically, and civically during their high school years. Both were members of the National Honor Society, designated Illinois State Scholars, and active in their respective religious organizations and communities. (More, in-depth information will appear in a future newsletter.)



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The JBT Scholarship Program was established by the U of I College of ACES in 1979, and are competitive, merit-based scholarships awarded to incoming freshman in recognition for leadership, good citizenship and scholarly achievement. The scholarships are entirely sponsored by private donors. Worth a total of \$10,000, \$4,000 is awarded the freshman year, and \$2,000 is subsequently awarded during each of the sophomore, junior and senior years.

Jonathan Baldwin Turner was a pioneer of agricultural education in Illinois in the mid-1800s. His dedication and leadership were influential in the passage of the Morrill Act in 1862, and the University of Illinois is an outgrowth of his efforts. (Coincidentally, descendants of Jonathan Baldwin Turner were present, and recognized, at the Banquet.)

Samantha and Janique, and their parents, extend their sincere gratitude to CSIFT for sponsoring this opportunity for them.

Mike Wanous, CSIFT Scholarship Committee