This year, the Bill Nelson Scholarship Endowment has awarded two scholarships, each in the amount of $2,000. The recipients are Abigail Taylor of Clinton, Tennessee and Trang (Trish) Nhan of Phoenix, Arizona.

**Abigail Taylor**
University of Tennessee

Currently attending UT, Ms. Taylor is active in numerous extracurricular activities including the Boys and Girls Clubs of America; the Children's Miracle Network Fundraisers; Relay for Life; the Public Relations Student Society of America; Phi Mu Standards and Discipline Board; Knoxville Student Advisory Board; and Phi Alpha Delta Pre-Law Society to name just a few.

Ms. Taylor is seeking a Bachelor's Degree in English with minors in Communication Studies and Business, and then plans to take graduate classes for a Master's in Communications concentrated in Public Relations.

"The value of education in the real world is growing every day and it is my greatest desire to achieve the long-standing goal of mine to get the best education I can," she says. Abigail's mother, Kathryn Taylor, is employed at Carlisle Tire & Wheel Company in Aiken, South Carolina.

**Trang (Trish) Nhan**
Arizona State University

Ms. Nhan plans on attending Arizona State University this fall to study architecture and music. She is active in numerous volunteer and school activities including the University Club; Asian Club; National Junior Honor Society; Vietnamese Association of Arizona; Treasurer and President of the Lions at Peace Club; North Arizona Summer Enrichment Program; Choir Club; and was Vice President of Alhambra's Digital Arts & Media Club. She received the Academic Excellence Award, Scholar Athlete Award, Most Improved Woodwind Musician Award -- all in 2003; Greater Phoenix Honor Choir in 2004-2006; North Central Regional Honor Choir in 2007 and Alhambra Honor Choir 2005-2007.

Her parent, Thanh Nguyen, is employed at Desert Extrusion in Phoenix, Arizona. "Being the first generation in my family to attend college makes me and my family very proud," she remarked.