



# MECHANICAL ENGINEERING NEWS

*Senior Awards Banquet June, 2004 – A Special Edition*

*A newsletter for the UML Mechanical Engineering community (also available online at <http://mechanical.uml.edu>)*

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## *Senior Award Festivities 2004*

As classes and exams are finishing up, so are many of our students. But it is fitting to make note of several accomplishments in this graduating class. This newsletter contains some snap shots of awards that were presented on May 5, 2004 at the awards banquet. Congratulations to all of the Class of 2004. Good luck in your future ventures! Please keep in touch with us.

## *The Dean's Gold Medal Awards*

The Dean's Gold Metal Award goes to the student with the highest overall grade point average.

The Graduate Dean's Gold Medal Award in Energy Engineering went to Peter Aurora.

The Graduate Dean's Gold Medal Award in Mechanical Engineering went to Ching-Pei Liang (who was unable to attend the awards banquet).

The Undergraduate Dean's Gold Medal Award in Mechanical Engineering went to Tracy Van Zandt.

Both Tracy and Peter are pictured below with Department Chairman, Dr. John McKelliget and Dean John Ting.



## *The Mechanical Engineering Department Awards*

The Mechanical Engineering Department has two additional awards that are given. The Prof. Kun Min Award is given for excellence in the Thermal & Fluids Engineering Sciences area and The Craig D. Douglas Award is given for excellence in the Solid Mechanics area.

Did we have trouble picking? You bet.



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The top students were neck to neck in terms of their overall ability. The faculty unanimously voted the recipients to be Derek Butland and Tracy Van Zandt. Both of these students are worthy of this note of distinction. Congratulations on a job well done!

## The Mechanical Engineering Craig D. Douglas Award for Excellence in Solid Mechanics

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The recipients are shown above with the Dean of Engineering John Ting, Professor James Sherwood of the Mechanical Engineering and the Department Chairman John McKelliget.