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**Congratulations to Danielle Han – Outstanding Youth/Student Volunteer
*To be honored at National Philanthropy Day***

SAN DIEGO, CA Nov. 14, 2007 – The Association of Fundraising Professionals (AFP) San Diego Chapter has selected Danielle Han as its Outstanding Youth/Student Volunteer for 2007. Danielle will be recognized for her leadership and generosity during National Philanthropy Day on Wednesday, November 14, to be observed locally during a luncheon at the Manchester Grand Hyatt.

“This is a special time when we recognize and pay tribute to the contributions made by volunteers and philanthropists to our region and our nation,” says Rachel Jonte, National Philanthropy Day Chair. “Danielle has set the bar high, and I hope other students will follow in her footsteps.”

Danielle’s desire to help others began early. As an 8-year-old flipping through a catalog of “Destinations” trips for Senior Girl Scouts, she was intrigued by a description of Girl Scouts’ Camp Juliette Low in Missouri. She decided then to participate when she was old enough, and spent a month of her 16th summer at the camp, serving as a counselor for girls with physical and mental disabilities.

Danielle is a 2007 honors graduate of La Jolla Country Day School, where she was active in many community service activities. She and members of the Stitches Club, which she founded as a seventh-grader, created and sold handmade scarves. Under Danielle’s direction, the club used the proceeds to purchase supplies for workshops to teach crocheting to homeless students at Monarch School. Monarch students then created baby blankets to present to Kaiser Hospital’s premature nursery. Danielle’s collaboration with Monarch continued for three year.

Danielle’s Monarch School project earned her Girl Scouting’s highest honor, the Girl Scout Gold Award. In 2006 she also received the *San Diego Union-Tribune*’s James C. Copley Citizenship Award for “exemplary participation in community life.”

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Danielle is now a George Washington University freshman, majoring in biomedical engineering. She chose that field so she can help children similar to those at Camp Juliette Low to live comfortable and independent lives. “It gives me the opportunity to be either in the lab or to invent better prosthetics,” says Danielle. “Anything I do in biomedical engineering could help these girls or girls in the future with these problems.”

Danielle is the daughter of Keith and Debra Han of Escondido. Debra Han was her daughter’s Girl Scout leader for 13 years.

The Association of Fundraising Professionals (AFP) represents more than 26,000 fundraisers in over 170 chapters throughout the world, working to advance philanthropy through advocacy, research, education and certification programs. The Association fosters development and growth of fundraising professionals and promotes high ethical standards in the fundraising profession. The AFP San Diego Chapter represents more than 300 charitable fundraisers in the local area. AFP was formerly the National Society of Fund Raising Executives (NSFRE). To register for National Philanthropy Day 2007 or for additional information go to the San Diego AFP Chapter website, www.afpsd.org or by calling toll free (888) 323-7237.

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