Class Appears on CNBC

Kudlow and Cramer

Seniors from the Rebsamen Fund Portfolio Management class appeared on CNBC’s “Kudlow and Cramer” program on March 17. The appearance was part of the class’ annual trip to Wall Street. The Rebsamen Fund is a student-managed investment fund established in 1971 with an initial endowment of $100,000 from Raymond Rebsamen. The class is the third oldest of its kind in the nation and has a current market value of more than $1 million. The class objective is to outperform the S&P 500. Their performance over the year ending December 31, 2003, was 28.2 percent compared to 26.4 percent for the S&P 500.

Rice University Business Plan Competition

A team of four Walton College graduate students won second place and $10,000 in the 2004 Rice University Business Plan Competition. The event was held on the Rice University campus in Houston, Texas, March 25-27. The Walton College team competed with their business plan for Black Widow Tools. The team, which included Travis Ruff, John Rutledge, Meagan Crews and Levi Russ, submitted a written business plan and made presentations to a panel of judges. First place went to Carnegie Mellon University, and third place went to the University of California at Los Angeles (UCLA). The top seven also included University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, University of Texas at Austin, University of Pennsylvania, and San Diego State University.

S.I.F.E. Regionals

The Students in Free Enterprise (S.I.F.E.) team won the S.I.F.E. Annual Regional Competition in Charlotte, N.C., and was nominated as a finalist for the special competition in entrepreneurship. The national competition was held in Kansas City in May. The team included Angelo Welihinda, Meggan Sexton, Marlena Sweeney, James Park, Dacia Boehmier, and Melissa Pruitt.

National Logistics Competition

Four Walton College students placed third in the national logistics case competition at the Operation Stimulus Logistics Conference in Denver in February. The team, sponsored by the Supply Chain Management Research Center, included Krystal Johnson, Heather Harrington, Sheldon Cordeiro and Stephen Kildow.

McGowan Fellowships

Two Walton College students received scholarship grants worth $18,000 each from the William G. McGowan Charitable Fund Inc. of Washington, D.C. Melissa Pruitt, a senior international business and economics major, and Ra Hearne, a junior international business major, will use their part of their scholarships to study at ESC Toulouse — Grande Ecole in Toulouse, France.