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In the spirit of Thanksgiving, we want to take a moment to thank you for helping one man's legacy live on. This time last year, you and over 150 committed individuals came together to do something big. Your collective passion allowed the "Benjamin C. Horne Memorial Graduate Prize in Economics" to be endowed—living in perpetuity to support graduate students doing exceptional, world-changing research in environmental economics, conflict resolution, and development.

Congratulations are in order! Below you will find exciting news about the newly awarded 2014-15 prize recipient, Jamie Mullins, and an update on the 2013-14 recipient, Stephie Fried. Both PhD scholars are on the job market, so please feel free to contact them if you are interested in assisting in their professional journey.

Our hope is that Ben's legacy will continue to shine and inspire individuals equally committed to his love of world-changing research. ***Should you feel compelled to continue your support of Ben's legacy by way of this graduate prize, you can make a tax-deductible contribution to his endowment here: <http://tinyurl.com/MaintainTheLight>.***

Over the course of a few years, we hope the endowment will grow by way of Ben's circle, and thereby increase the graduate prize awarded. An increased award is a gift of time. By relieving a graduate student's financial stress, you allow them to devote more time to funneling their passion into research—research that one day may change your life.

Together, let's help Ben's light shine beyond UC San Diego, and help make the world a better place. Thank you for your continued support!

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**2014-15 BENJAMIN C. HORNE MEMORIAL GRADUATE
RECIPIENT**

Jamie Mullins

Jamie's research focuses on the relationship between human and societal development and environmental factors. He is interested in both the way that the environment impacts our health and productivity, and the ways in which we affect the environment through continued economic growth and modernization.

This two-way relationship between humans and our environment is most strained in the emerging world, where the promise of a better life often leads to development at the expense of the local (and sometimes broader) environment. Perversely, such effects have actually reduced the quality of life in many countries around the world. His research is concerned with the balancing of economic growth with environmental and human well-being.

As far as his other passions and hobbies are concerned; like Ben, Jamie loves the outdoors and the mountains. He enjoys running, hiking, camping, photography, flying kites, canyoneering, travel-on-the-cheap, board games, science fiction, and good food in great company.

Jamie is on the job market this year! His CV and professional interests can be found here: <http://econweb.ucsd.edu/~jmullins/>. Please feel free to contact him if you would like to know more or think you can help grow his professional network.

UPDATE: 2013-14 RECIPIENT

Stephie Fried

"I have tremendous respect for Ben as someone who really cared about the world. This passion permeated both his lifestyle and his research. I will always view him as a role model for how to try and make the world just a little bit better. I'm flattered and humbled to be the recipient of a memorial prize in his honor. I'm very grateful to all the donors who make this award possible and thereby inspire future generations of graduate students to use economic research to further social and environmental progress." - Stephie



Stephie spent Fall of 2013 studying climate change in Sweden with some of the climate economists there. She is on the job market this year and looking forward to what comes next, while at the same time trying to savor her last few months living in beautiful San Diego and so close to the ocean.

Her CV and professional interests can be found here: <http://econweb.ucsd.edu/~sfried/index.html>. Feel free to contact her if you would like to know more, or think you can help grow her professional network.