Dear Computer Science Graduate,

Welcome to the December 2011 DePauw Computer Science Department Alumni Newsletter. We hope you are well and that you will enjoy reading about some of the exciting things that are happening in the Department and at the University.

• **Social Networking Invitations:** The Department has recently established a social networking presence for our faculty, alumni and students. Please consider joining us:
  - Facebook -- join the [DePauw Computer Science Students and Alumni](https://www.facebook.com) group
  - LinkedIn -- join the [DePauw Computer Science Students and Alumni](https://www.linkedin.com) group
  - Twitter -- follow [DePauwCS](https://twitter.com)

• **Computer Science Major Wins Prestigious National Science Scholarship:** As reported on DePauw University’s web site, the Barry M. Goldwater Scholarship and Excellence in Education Program recently announced its 2011 Scholars, and to no one’s surprise in DePauw’s Computer Science Department, Catherine “Catie” M. Baker ’12 was a recipient of the prestigious award.

  The Goldwater Scholarship is the premiere undergraduate science and mathematics award in the United States. The scholarship program was designed to foster and encourage outstanding students to pursue careers in the fields of mathematics, the natural sciences and engineering.

  Khadija J. Stewart, assistant professor of computer science, is the Goldwater faculty adviser and has mentored some of Catie’s research projects. Khadija says “I’m really proud of Catie. Not only is the award extremely important to Catie, it’s important to DePauw – to be
able to compete with other schools that receive it. It’s thanks to Catie that we received one this year.”

Catie’s talents extend beyond the classroom and research laboratory. Among her many accomplishments, she has earned honorable mention All-America honors after finishing ninth in the 200-yard breaststroke. She also earned All-America honors in 100-yard breaststroke with an eighth-place finish, and she set two new school and conference records.

- **Plugging our Students (Do you Need Employees or Interns?):** We have many wonderful students in the department! If you ever know of permanent jobs or internship opportunities (Winter Term, summer, or semester) we would be happy to share the information with our majors. Alternatively, you can share the opportunities with our students and your fellow alumni using the social networking tools described above.

- **DePauw Celebrates its 175th Year Anniversary:** DePauw will kick off its 175th year anniversary celebration on January 10th, 2012. Many great anniversary events are planned throughout 2012 and 2013 and we hope you will visit campus to join the fun. You can read more about the celebration at: [www.depauw.edu/about/175celebration](http://www.depauw.edu/about/175celebration)

If you are back on campus for the celebration, or for any other reason, please stop by and say hello. We would love to catch up! In the meantime, visit our new department home page at [www.depauw.edu/academics/departments-programs/computer-science/](http://www.depauw.edu/academics/departments-programs/computer-science/) and follow the “News Stories” link to learn about other exiting things that are happening in the department.

With Best Wishes,

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