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Jill Niemeier, ACØMX, Awarded 2012 Goldfarb Scholarship

The 2012 William R. Goldfarb Memorial Scholarship has been awarded to Jill Niemeier, ACØMX, of Kennett. Missouri. Jill, who just graduated from Kennett High School, is ranked 3rd in her class and carries a 3.98 GPA. Her accomplishments as a young Extra class Amateur Radio operator include two 1st place awards in the engineering category of the



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annual Southeast Missouri Regional Science Fair, recognition as "Ham of the Year" by the Bootheel Area Amateur Radio Club, election to the Missouri Girls' State, National Honor Society, president of the Kennett High School Amateur Radio Club and numerous community volunteer activities.

Jill's Amateur Radio focus has been on a 6 year Emergency Communications project concentrating on a micro-propagation

study. Her interest in earthquake response was initiated when she was in middle school when she learned of a historic 1811 earthquake near her home on the New Madrid Fault. The study continued through high school and has resulted in her sharing with ARES[®] and licensing classes a greater understanding of the limits of radio stations in emergency situations.

Jill will attend the University of Arkansas in the fall to begin her studies in Biology and Biochemistry. She anticipates a career in oncology, saying, "I plan on going into the career field of oncology because I have a major passion for cancer patients and cancer research. Just the idea of being able to help save a cancer-patient's life absolutely thrills me. I also know that there is research that is currently in action using radio waves to try to help find a cure for cancer. Being an oncologist has always been a dream of mine, and someday I hope that I will get to fulfill that dream." Congratulations, Jill!