The new Student of the Quarter award is intended to encourage students to give their best efforts to all the college has to offer. By focusing on a student who exemplifies a good work ethic, a caring attitude toward others, attendance, interest and motivation each quarter, the college hopes to recognize these characteristics in all LTI students. In addition to recognition in school publications, a preferred parking spot for the quarter, and a beautiful plaque, recipients will also receive a gift certificate for use in the college bookstore.

In the Spotlight

Kara Sweeney is a Mechanical Engineering Technology (MET) major with a keen interest in robotics. She will earn her associate degree in October and will work in a field that is nontraditional for women. Kara is a Mercy Academy 2005 graduate. After graduation, she began attending a large public university where she majored in physics, but she soon discovered that the impersonal environment of the university wasn’t for her. She moved to Louisville Technical Institute and quickly found her niche. Kara says that she has enjoyed the same material and coursework she had at the large university, but at Louisville Tech it is covered in ways she can understand. “LTI has the most helpful instructors I’ve ever met,” she said. Being the first “Student of the Quarter” is a great honor for Kara, who “consistently attends classes, gets good grades, participates, and does her best to help others,” stated instructor Jim Long. Congratulations to Kara Sweeney, Louisville Tech’s first “Student of the Quarter.”

James Fedenko, also a Mechnanical Engineering Technology (MET) student, has recently been named as the Student of the Quarter for Spring, 2008. Mr. Fedenko was selected by the faculty because he works hard all the time to reach his goals, he troubleshoots and repairs lab equipment, and he helps keep the educational experience flowing for his colleagues. He demonstrates dedication to learning and determi- nation to improve himself. Instructors describe him as personable and ready to help others as much as he can. He is also a cooperative team player with perfect attendance during the quarter. Clearly, a future employer will be lucky indeed to hire him. Congratulations, James Fedenko!

Gold is his color!

Admissions Relations Officer Ron Chilton, left, recently won ten gold medals at the Louisville Regional Olympic Sports Games. Ron finished first in the 100, 200, 400, 800 & 1500 meter races, the high jump, long jump, shot-put, discus and javelin in his 70-74 age group. But this wasn’t Ron’s first trip to the winner’s platform. He has entered 10 annual Regional and State Senior Olympics competitions and two National Senior Olympic Games, winning more than 100 medals during that time. Wow!

Her community service benefits students, too

Jana Godwin, Chair of the Computer Network Administration and the Computer Network Security/ Forensics programs, works with Recording for the Blind & Dyslexic. The non-profit organization provides recorded literature and text books for students with a disability who best learn information through auditory channels. Ms. Godwin loves to read for this wonderful service and is currently raising funds to support her reading of an Information Technology textbook.

Louisville Tech students win gold medals

Mercedes Kern won gold medals in Interior Design and Job Interview at both regional and state levels. Darcy Maddox won gold medals at the regional and state level in Customer Service and also won a gold medal in Spelling at the regional level. Ivica (John) Petri won gold medals in Technical Math and Electronics Technology at the regional and state levels. He will compete at the national level in Electronics Technology. James Strickland won a gold medal in Extemporaneous Speaking and was second regionally in Advertising Design. James earned two more gold medals in both contests at the state level. Sharon Stubbins came in second at both the regional and state competitions in Interior Design. Jessica Fante was second in regional Spelling and won a gold medal in regional Advertising Design. She did not compete at the state level.

Congratulations to all the SkillsUSA regional, state and national competitors. SkillsUSA is a great experience for Louisville Tech students.