Floriculture Internships/Scholarships Deadline – October 1, 2010

Alexandria, VA - August 27, 2010 - Applications are being accepted for the American Floral Endowment's (AFE) Vic & Margaret Ball Intern Scholarship & the Mosmiller Intern Scholarship Program for eligible students looking to gain experience in greenhouse production, floral retail and wholesale, and allied trade fields.

These two intern scholarship programs aid students in gaining hands-on, real-world experience in floriculture. The Vic & Margaret Ball Intern Scholarship Program, established in 1992 by a generous gift from Vic and Margaret Ball, specifically funds training at floriculture production greenhouses throughout the U.S. The Balls created this program to assure future students would have the ability to take advantage of practical greenhouse experience opportunities without financial worry.

The Mosmiller Intern Scholarship Program was established in 1975 to honor former AFE Chairman and retail florists Colonel and Mrs. Walter E. Mosmiller, Jr. Funding from the Mosmiller program helps support students who participate in internships at a retail florist, wholesaler, or allied trade company.

To be considered for these scholarship opportunities that are administered by AFE, students must: be a U.S. citizen currently enrolled in a floriculture/environmental horticulture program at a 2- or 4-year college or university in the U.S. maintain a "C" or better GPA complete the internship prior to graduation.

Deadlines & Applications
Both scholarship programs are awarded twice each year. To be eligible for scholarships, the deadline for receiving applications at the AFE office is March 1st in the spring and October 1st in the fall. Applications can be downloaded from the AFE web site (www.endowment.org/education)