St.Cloud State University ACM Student Chapter Wins 2nd Annual Webbie Prize

The Association for Computing Machinery (ACM) has announced that the St.Cloud State University ACM Student Chapter has been awarded the annual Webbie Prize for Outstanding ACM Chapter Website (see http://www.acm.org/webbie/). St. Cloud State received the most votes during the Webbased election. Runners-up were Illinois Wesleyan, Florida State and the University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign. A cash award of \$1,000 will be given to the St. Cloud State ACM student chapter by the ACM Membership Activities Board later this Spring.

According to Hal Berghel, chair of the ACM Webbie Prize Committee, "St.Cloud State did a fine job in producing a tasteful, user-friendly layout of their cybersphere. It was a very nice piece of work."

The original framed layout of the Web Page was done by senior Computer Science major and former Public Relations Officer Brian Brown. Further graphical enhancements were undertaken by fellow student and Chapter President Markus Gallagher. The Web page is presently being maintained by Public Relations Officer Atif Mahmood and Markus Gallagher.

The ACM Webbie Prize was begun in 1995 for outstanding student contributions to cyberspace. The first Webbie Prize was awarded for outstanding student effort. The recipient was Ka Ping Yee for a Webbased translation program for translating between English and Japanese. For the second Webbie Prize, the committee decided to recognize outstanding student contributions to ACM Student Chapter Websites.

St. Cloud State University's ACM Student Chapter includes over 60 active members. The Chapters' main goals are to bring together people interested in computer science, provide insight, and expose members to the working environment in the field of computer science. The chapter provides opportunities for its members to interact with local and national computing industries. Workshops, speakers, volunteer activities and internships provide members with an excellent opportunity to share and gain knowledge about new and exciting technologies.

St. Cloud State University, is located one hour northwest of Minneapolis-St. Paul, has 150 major, minor, and emphasis areas available to students including national accredited programs of computer science, aviation, business administration and many others. With more than 14,000 students, the university has grown to meet the diverse interests of all students.