The Charles P. Lake/Rain for Rent Scholarship was established in honor of the company’s founder who passed away in August of 1988 at the age of 94.

Mr. Lake started Western Oilfields Supply Company in 1934 to supply used equipment to the local oilfields. In 1948, Rain for Rent was created to pioneer the rental of irrigation equipment in the San Joaquin Valley. Mr. Lake’s idea was to allow farmers to rent the irrigation equipment—in effect “try before you buy”. Mr. Lake received the Irrigation Association’s Industry Achievement Award in 1977 for his efforts in developing the irrigation equipment rental industry. The company now operates over 60 branches providing pumps, pipe, tanks and accessories to petrochemical, industrial, agricultural, environmental, and construction businesses nationwide.

Mr. Lake was well-traveled, well-read and involved in community activities — president of the Kern County Board of Trade and Bakersfield Rotary. He believed in education and supported the construction of the Kern County Beale Library. In his memory, the Charles P. Lake/Rain for Rent Scholarship was established in 1988. Over the years the scholarship has grown to providing thirty-five scholarships in the amount of $1,500.00 each annually.

2015 Scholarship Recipients

Uriel Gutierrez
CSU Fresno
Construction Management/Business Administration

Andrea Bauer
Cal Poly San Luis
Civil Engineering

Kent Beecham
Cal Poly San Luis
Construction Management

Josie Flrenchinger
University of Idaho
Agricultural Engineering

Ian Nickell
CSU Bakersfield
Petroleum Engineering

Nicole Peterson
Civil/Enviro Engineering
University of Wyoming

Colby Searle
Utah State University
Mechanical Engineering

Ashley Osborne
UC Davis
Mechanical Engineering

Travis Chase
University of Idaho
Agribusiness, Soil Science
Rain for Rent’s College Internship Program is designed to give students valuable on-the-job training experience.

To be eligible, students must have completed at least one year of full-time undergraduate studies with a GPA of 3.0 or greater and be currently enrolled in a minimum of 12 units.

If you are interested in gaining real-world experience to supplement your classroom education, Rain for Rent offers summer internships in Engineering, Sales, Management, Information Technology, Human Resources, Safety, Accounting and Marketing.

To apply, request an Intern Application from careers@rainforrent.com and send to Rain for Rent, P.O. Box 2248, Bakersfield, CA 93303. Inquiring minds can visit our webpage www.rainforrent.com to obtain additional information about Rain for Rent’s locations, products and services.

**2015 Scholarship Recipients (cont’d)**

- Erica Gilrein
  - University of Wyoming
  - Civil Engineering

- Gregory Borba
  - Cal Poly San Luis
  - Agricultural Systems Man.

- Joseph Benassini
  - UC Davis/UC Berkeley
  - Civil/Enviro Engineering

- Ryan Smith
  - Cal Poly San Luis
  - Civil Engineering

- Trent McGowan
  - UC Davis
  - Civil Engineering

- Brecenna Attebury
  - Brigham Young University/Idaho
  - Communication

- Jeremy Supak
  - Texas A&M University
  - Biological/Ag Eng

- Mitch Weigel
  - University of Wyoming
  - Petroleum Engineering

- Michelle Brasil
  - Cal State Fresno
  - AG Business

- Iliana Gonzalez
  - Cal State Bakersfield
  - Nursing

- Mary Neitch
  - Arkansas State
  - Undecided

- Joseph Benassini
  - UC Davis/UC Berkeley
  - Civil/Enviro Engineering

- Joseph Benassini
  - UC Davis/UC Berkeley
  - Civil/Enviro Engineering

- Hope Ison
  - Univ. of Arkansas
  - Nursing

- Tanner Hansen
  - Brigham Young University
  - Construction/Management

**Career Opportunities**

- Marketing
- Finance and Accounting
- Audit
- General Management
- Office Management
- Information Technology
- Business Operations
- Customer Service
- Engineering
- Human Resources

- Construction/Project Management
- Contracts
- Product Development
- Sales
- Field Operations
- Commercial Drivers
- Manufacturing
- Purchasing/Procurement
- Fleet Management