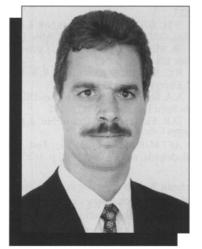
## Brian Holloway Appointed MRS/OSA Congressional Fellow for 1997–98

Brian Holloway of Stanford University is the recent recipient of the 1997–1998 MRS/OSA Congressional Science and Engineering Fellowship. As a precursor to a career involving public service and technology transfer, he will work for one year in a Washington congressional office. "I hope to learn how scientific policy is formulated in order to someday focus on basic scientific-research funding," said Holloway.

The goal of the fellowship is to promote communication between Congress and the science and engineering community. Fellows serve with individual members of Congress, committees, or support agencies such as the Congressional Budget Office and the Congressional Research Service. According to MRS Public Affairs Committee Chair Julia Phillips, the program has greatly benefitted the Society. "The Fellows are extremely energetic and productive. For example Kelly Kirkpatrick, the first MRS/OSA Fellow, has influenced legislation such as the recently proposed tax on waived graduate-student fuition." At press time for this issue of MRS Bulletin, the bill had passed through Congress, retaining section 117d of the Internal Revenue Code. This segment of law ensures graduatestudents' continued exemption from tax responsibility on the value of tuition



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waivers. "Kelly has also provided MRS members with valuable insight into the legislative process through her efforts to improve the MRS Public Affairs homepage as well as her efforts on pubic-affairs issues," said Phillips.

Holloway will start with a two-week orientation at the American Association for the Advancement of Science, which coordinates the fellowship. "I hope to bring my youthful enthusiasm and my wide variety of scientific interests to the position," he said. Having recently completed his PhD degree in mechanical engineering with a minor in materials science and engineering, Holloway is investigating a congressional office where he feels his services would be most helpful. He plans to make a decision in late September or early October. Kirkpatrick served Senator Joseph I. Lieberman (D-CT) during her fellowship (see MRS Bulletin, Vol. XX, No. 8, p. 64). The 1996–1997 Fellow, Michal Freedhoff, worked for U.S. Congressional Representative Edward J. Markey (D-MA). (For more information on Freedhoff's fellowship, see MRS Bulletin, Vol. 21, No. 10, p. 74; and MRS Bulletin, Vol. 21, No. 11, p. 74.)

"I want to thank MRS and OSA for providing me with this once-in-a-lifetime opportunity," Holloway said.

Holloway's dissertation work involved studying the chemical bonding present in carbon nitride thin films in order to determine the chemical processes occurring during film deposition. He received a BS degree in mechanical engineering from the University of Florida. During his undergraduate years, Holloway coowned and operated a commercial fishing company.

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The Fourth International Conference on Electronic Materials (IUMRS-ICEM-98), chaired by Soon Ja Park (Seoul National University) with Min Che Chon (Chon, International) as honorary chair, will be held August 24–27, 1998, in Cheju, Korea. The conference, organized by Materials Research Society of Korea (MRS-K) under the auspices of the International Union of Materials Research Societies (IUMRS), is a continuation in the series of meetings held in Strasbourg, France (1992); Hsinchu, Taiwan (1994); and Boston, USA (1996). Prospective authors should submit five copies of a 1,000 word summary to Professor Shinhoo Kang, The Secretariat of IUMRS-ICEM-98, Materials Research Society of Korea, School of Materials Science and Engineering, Seoul National University, Seoul 151-742, Korea; 82-2-880-7167; fax 82-2-884-1413; e-mail icem98@ plaza.snu.ac.kr. The deadline is February 28, 1998.

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