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**Annual Westmont Chamber of Commerce Educational Foundation  
Scholarships Awards Luncheon**

***Westmont Students Recognized at Scholarship Luncheon***

**Westmont, Illinois, June 6, 2017** – The Westmont Chamber of Commerce Educational Foundation (WCCEF) and the Westmont Rotary Club combined to host a special luncheon to celebrate some of Westmont's brightest and exceptional graduating high school seniors. The luncheon was held on Tuesday, May 9<sup>th</sup> at Vincitori Restaurant, 14 North Cass Avenue, Westmont.

The Westmont Chamber of Commerce Educational Foundation (WCCEF), is a not-for-profit, charitable organization with a mission to provide recognition and scholarships to area students. Throughout the year, the WCCEF holds several fundraising events to raise money for scholarships for Westmont residents.

As a result of the generosity of members of the Westmont Chamber of Commerce and Tourism Bureau (WCCTB), and the community-at-large, through their commitment of time, monetary donations and resources, the WCCEF was able to offer \$11,500 in scholarships this year.

"This was our eighteenth year of awarding scholarships to young adults who reside in Westmont to assist them with their college expenses. Thanks to the generosity of everyone who contributed to our scholarship fund, we were able to award the largest amount of scholarship money (\$11,500) since the program began in 1999", remarked Joseph Moffa, President, WCCEF.

**2017 WCCEF Scholarship Recipients**

Austin Browne, Westmont High School High School  
Bradley Frederick, Hinsdale Central High School  
Jelena Mihajlovic-Klaric, Westmont High School  
Morgan Taylor Arens, Westmont High School  
Samuel Austin Asa, Westmont High School  
Rachel Chorney, Westmont High School  
Zachary Goliszewski, Downers Grove North High School  
Madeline Kim, Westmont High School  
Michelle Launi, Westmont High School  
Zoe Okon, Westmont High School  
Margaret Petersen, Benet Academy  
Filip Plecevic, Westmont High School

### ***2017 WCCEF Scholarship Recipients cont'd***

Robert Russo, Westmont High School  
Sarah Schlacks, Westmont High School  
Ravyn Shelton, Downers Grove North High School  
Kaylee Smith, Westmont High School  
Carsen Swan, Downers Grove North High School  
Diana Alejandra Teran, Westmont High School  
Alicia Tracey, Hinsdale Central High School  
Allison Tracey, Hinsdale Central High School  
Melissa Wilfong, Westmont High School  
Hope Elizabeth Zastrow, Timothy Christian High School

In addition to the WCCEF Scholarship, the Bill Rahn – Building a Positive Future Scholarship, named in honor of former Mayor Bill Rahn, was also presented. The Bill Rahn - Building a Positive Future Scholarship is awarded to a student that best exemplifies Mayor Rahn's passion of helping others and promoting the community through their past accomplishments and career plans for the future. This year's recipient was Kiera Aldridge from Westmont High School.

More information on the WCCEF and their scholarship program can be obtained by calling the Westmont Chamber of Commerce and Tourism Bureau at 630-960-5553.

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Pictured in the photo 2017 WCCEF Award Recipients with Mayor Ron Gunter, X, Superintendent Community Unit School District #201 Kevin Carey, WCCEF President Joseph Moffa, Debby Piha, Education and Awards Selection Committee

Not Pictured: Robert Russo, Diana Alejandra Teran

