



SWISS BENEVOLENT SOCIETY OF CHICAGO

Schweizerische Wohltätigkeitsgesellschaft

YEARLY REPORT OF THE EDUCATION COMMITTEE (2017)

March 6, 2018

Chair: John Paluch

Members: Ernie Brauchli, Catherine E. Danz, Fred Glure, John Paluch, Rob Streit

The committee members continue to work hard to support our younger generation in pursuit of their educational goals. We awarded **\$ 35,265** in scholarship money to grade school, high school and college students during the 2017-2018 academic year.

We supported students in three scholarship programs:

Merit Scholarships

Merit Scholarships support highly qualified, low-income students with plans to study at a four-year college. We awarded a total of four scholarships of \$2000, two to students at Gwendolyn Brooks College Preparatory Academy, and two to students at Lane Tech College Prep, for a total of **\$8,000**.

Language Immersion Scholarships for Concordia Language Villages

The SBS offers one-week scholarships to the Concordia Language Villages to grade school and high school students in Illinois, Wisconsin and Indiana. This year there were 59 applications for scholarships: 23 for German, 35 for French and 2 for Italian. We provided three French students with one-week scholarships and 4 German students one-week scholarships. Once again, we provided both the Northern Illinois AATG and the Chicago Area AATF with two-week scholarships for their testing & awards programs. SBS provided funding for one week and the Concordia Language Villages were able to provide funding for the second week. The total amount of the SBS scholarship funding was **\$7,515**.

Undergraduate College Support Scholarships

The Undergraduate College Support Scholarships provide support to students for their college education. From the applications, we selected 24 winners this year: ten in Category I (Seniors in High School), seven in Category II (Freshmen in College), and seven in Category III (Sophomores or Juniors in College). The total amount of scholarships awarded was **\$19,750**

All 2017-2018 winners are listed here and on the SBS web page at: <http://www.sbschicago.org>. Applications for the 2018-19 year scholarships are available on our webpage directly or through e-mail or regular mail.

Respectfully submitted,

John Paluch
Chair, Education Committee

SBS Undergraduate Scholarships 2017/2018 (\$19,750)

Group I

Burki, Molly	Student	\$	1,000.00
Dang, Paul	Student	\$	500.00
Douglass, Noelle	Student	\$	1,000.00
Faessler, Erik	Student	\$	750.00
Haefli, Eric	Student	\$	750.00
Klaus, Matthew	Student	\$	750.00
Kovach, Nicholas	Student	\$	750.00
Mark, Skyler	Student	\$	750.00
Moser, Jacob	Student	\$	1,000.00
Riggenbach, Amanda	Student	\$	500.00

Group II

Dang, David	Student	\$	750.00
Haefli, RuthAnn	Student	\$	1,000.00
Neff, Kelsey	Student	\$	750.00
Riggenbach, Irina	Student	\$	750.00
Rykowski, Peter	Student	\$	1,000.00
Shotton, Jared	Student	\$	750.00
Zoells, Hugo	Student	\$	1,000.00

Group III

Kovach, Stephen	Student	\$	750.00
Neff, Megan	Student	\$	750.00
Portmann, Julia	Student	\$	750.00
Rohner, Nicholas	Student	\$	1,000.00
Riggenbach, Mariah	Student	\$	1,000.00
Varin, Constance	Student	\$	750.00
Zwicky	Student	\$	1,000.00

Concordia Language Village Scholarships Summer 2017 (\$7,515)

Carter, Alexis	One week French Village
Erdman, Jessica	One week French Village
Greene, Kelechi Serene	One week French Village

Lagler, Marc A.	One week German Village
Nakamura, Phillip Kenta	One week German Village
Pritchard, Lily Katherine	One week German Village
Smits, Danielle E.	One week German Village

AATG/AATF Prize Winners

Student (G) two weeks AATG	
Anna Gundliach, Lakes Community HS	Two weeks German Village
Student (F) two weeks AATF	
Lili Banihashem (Lab School UIUC)	Two weeks French Village

Merit Scholarship 2017/2018 (\$8,000)

Clark, Jasaan	Gwendolyn Brooks College Preparatory	\$2000.00
Green, Kiely	Lane Tech College Prep	\$2000.00
Polk, Alexandria	Gwendolyn Brooks College Preparatory	\$2000.00
Villegas, Natalie	Lane Tech College Prep	\$2000.00