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Carroll Education Foundation of Southlake announces the 2009-2010 scholarship recipients. In conjunction with the CISD Senior Awards Ceremony, CEF awarded 11 scholarships to worthy seniors. Every year, CEF chooses 10 graduating CISD students to receive a \$1,500 scholarship toward the college of their choice. Since the inception of CEF has raised more than \$850,000 for the teachers and students of CISD in the form of teachers' grants and scholarships for CISD seniors.

This year, CEF announced an addition to the normal 10 scholarships. "We will be adding, for every year henceforth, a scholarship in the name of Ralph Williams. Ralph was a valued board member and a dear friend who passed away last fall. He was instrumental within CEF in all aspects of the foundation and was an inspiration to us all. Through this scholarship we will be investing in our students and our community, two great passions of Ralph's," stated Kacy Hankins, CEF's Executive Director. The student chosen for The Ralph Williams Memorial Scholarship is the top candidate chosen among the recipients.

This year's recipients include:

Cassandra Shankman, receiving The Ralph Williams Memorial Scholarship

Amanda Presmyk, sponsored by Greater Southlake Women's Society

Allison Gross, sponsored by Park Place Lexus of Grapevine

Zac Friske, sponsored by Hyatt Regency DFW

Hannah Brown, sponsored by Fort Worth Texas Magazine

Rebecca Gould, sponsored by Sabre Holdings

Cameron Brennan, sponsored by XTO

Michael Veneskey, sponsored by Southlake Style Magazine

Chelsea Dunlap, sponsored by Natex and The Vital Design Group

Emily Lang, sponsored by RM Communications and Grayson Allen Jewelers

Colin Christ, sponsored by Premiere Photography of Colleyville and The Hilton Southlake Town Square

"All of the applicants this year were intelligent, talented, and committed to serving our community through volunteer service. We're proud of each scholarship recipient and look forward to following

them through their college endeavors," stated John Kresky, CEF Board Member and 2010 Scholarship Committee Chairman.

The Southlake CEF raises money for students and teachers of Carroll Independent School District. Since its inception in 1996, CEF has donated more than \$745,000 in teacher's grants and more than \$109,500 in graduating senior scholarships. The majority of these funds were raised in their annual fundraiser, the Culinary Celebration. This year's event will be held on Sunday, October 3, 2010 at the Hyatt Regency DFW from 6-10 p.m.

For more information, please see their website at www.southlakecef.org.

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