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## **Annual Westmont Chamber of Commerce Educational Foundation**

## **Scholarships Awards Luncheon**

## Return to In-person Recognition of Exceptional Students

**Westmont, Illinois, May 13, 2022 –** The Westmont Chamber of Commerce Educational Foundation (WCCEF) hosted a special luncheon to celebrate some of Westmont's brightest and exceptional graduating high school seniors. The luncheon was held on Friday, May 13<sup>th</sup> at Papa Passero's, 6326 S. Cass Ave., Westmont.

Congratulations to the following **2022 Westmont Chamber of Commerce Educational Foundation Scholarship Recipients**:

Jason Czaplewski, Westmont High School Isabel Gable, Nazareth Academy Louisa Gheorghita, Westmont High School Gustafson, Westmont High School Ava Ryan Hubeny, Montini Catholic High School Jakub Jasinski, Downers Grove North High School Jordan Karesh, Westmont High School Caleb Kleinz, Westmont High School John Naom, Westmont High School Bansri Patel, Downers Grove North High School John Powell, Westmont High School Nora Schlacks, Westmont High School Pranav Viswanath, Westmont High School Dominic Wagner, Westmont High School Miles Walsh, Westmont High School Diana Zheng, Westmont High School Zach Zielinski, Westmont High School

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. To date, over \$150,000 has been raised and awarded to local students.

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 \$10,000 in scholarships this year.

"This was our twenty-third year of awarding scholarships to young adults who either reside in Westmont or are children of members of the Westmont Chamber of Commerce and Tourism Bureau, to assist them with their college expenses. This is thanks in part to generous donations from area businesses and individuals", remarked Joseph Moffa, President, WCCEF. This was the second year for the awarding of two WCCEF An Kon Tsai M.D. Memorial Scholarships which were donated by Meilie Tsai and family.

2022 WCCEF Scholarship donors

Meilie Tsai and family Advanced Rehabilitation Clinics - John Christiansen Hank Anzelone Kevin Carey Dental Excellence of Westmont Dr. Stephen Esposito DDS Knights of Columbus Council 3738 Joseph Moffa Dave & Melissa LaBrash Jessica Garrett Sazan Syleimani Stephen Fleck Chicago Original Limousine Doug & Elaine Carmichael Vanessa Evans Stephen May Tracey Valerio Mark Butler Kim Heller First Midwest Bank Thomas Walsh Mike Henslev Carole Kempf Thomas Drew Mitchell Peg Reid Diane Adams

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 or visiting their website at: <u>https://www.westmontchamber.com/educational-foundation.html</u>. # # # #

Pictured in the photo 2022 WCCEF Scholarship Award Recipients with Nadine Norris, Community Unit School District #201, WCCEF President Joseph Moffa, Hank Anzelone, Education and Awards Selection Committee

