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Marquette Bank Foundation Awards High School Students $105,000 in Scholarships

Scholarship program gives back to the community and promotes education.

Chicago, IL (July 8, 2004) - -- Marquette Bank Foundation awarded scholarships to 35 graduating high school students in a recognition ceremony held June 19, 2004 at the Holiday Inn Select. At the special ceremony for friends and family, each student received a distinctive plaque and a check for $3,000 payable to the college of their choice. Scholarship recipients were chosen by their High School's Principal or Senior Counselor based on three criteria: academic excellence, community service and financial need.

The Marquette Bank Foundation was formed in October 2003 by Marquette Bank's Board of Directors to enhance and perpetuate the Scholarship Program. While the Marquette Bank Foundation is the new administrator, the Scholarship Program is a long-standing tradition at Marquette Bank with its inception in 1967. Each year, Marquette offers local community parochial and public high schools the opportunity to participate in the program. The program has grown substantially in the past thirty-seven years, granting over $1.1 million in scholarships to over 935 high school students in Chicagoland communities.

This year's recipients of Marquette Bank Foundation scholarships were: Susan Marie Adams - Bogan High School, Sarah Alawawda - Reavis High School, Bogar Alonso - The Latin School/Midtown Center, Kyle Bergman - Richards High School, Randall Brittman - Harper High School, Brian T. Burmeister - St. Rita High School, Andre Burton - Mount Carmel High School, Luis Cervantes - Cristo Rey Jesuit High School, Jillian M. Collins - Andrew High School, Patricia Dwyer - Queen of Peace High School, Juan C. Gonzalez - Lincoln-Way Central High School, Margaret Griffin - Carl Sandburg High School, David Henderson - Hales Franciscan High School, Michael Herrera - Morgan Park High School, Arturo Jurado - Kelly High School, Jessica Koval - Waubonsie Valley High School, Nicole Marie LaCasto - Kennedy High School, Justin Lehocky - St. Laurence High School, Margaret M. Leiser - Mother McAuley High School, Daniel Martinez - Evergreen Park Community High School, Riane McClellan - Luther South High School, Margaret McGuinness - Oak Lawn Community High School, Angelique Montgomery - Metro Achievement Center, Efren Moreno Jr. - De LaSalle Institute, David Murphy - Providence Catholic High School, Marcus A. Nelson - Leo High School, Cassandra Papesh - Argo Community, Sean Potempa - Marist High School, Erikka N. Quinn - Hubbard High School, Andre Richardson - Englewood Academy, Matthew Richardson - Gage Park High School, Diamond Ross - Maria High School, Kelli Schlueter - Curie High School, Latasha J. Smith - Lindblom Preparatory, Michael Woods - Brother Rice High School.

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PHOTO CAPTION (Photo Attached) Flanking the 2004 Marquette Bank Foundation Scholarship Recipients is John OBrien, Senior Vice President Asset Liability (on the left) and George Moncada, President (on the right).

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