

## 2014 REPORT OF THE EDUCATION COMMITTEE

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Chair: John Paluch

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The committee members continue to work hard to support our younger generation in pursuit of their educational goals. We awarded about \$ 40,000 in scholarship money to a variety of students of all ages during the year 2014.

**We continued to support three scholarship categories:**

### ***Merit Scholarship***

Merit Scholarships support highly qualified, low-income students with plans to study at a four-year college. We awarded a total of four scholarships à \$ 2000 to Jones College Preparatory School (two), to Lane Tech High School (one), and to Gwendolyn Brooks College Preparatory Academy (one) for a total of **\$8000**.

### ***Two-Week Language Immersion at Concordia Language Villages***

Winners of the Concordia Language Villages scholarship can study a language for either one week (no experience in the language) or two weeks (previous experience in the language) in the summer at Concordia College in Moorhead, Minnesota. We received again many applications and awarded nine scholarships (with Concordia offering a rebate of for each child) to students in Illinois, Wisconsin, and Indiana. We supported one German student for the one-week scholarship and five in German and two in French for the two-week scholarship in addition to one two-week scholarship for the Northern Illinois AATG Awards Program and one two-week scholarship for Chicago Area AATF. The total amount was about **\$14,195**.

### ***Undergraduate College Support Scholarships***

The *Undergraduate College Support Scholarships* provide support to students for their college education. From the applications, we selected 19 winners this year: eleven in Category I (Seniors in High School), three in Category II (Freshmen in College), and five in Category III (Sophomore or Juniors in College). The total amount of scholarships given out was **\$ 17,500.00**

All 2014-2015 winners are listed here and on the SBS web page at: <http://www.sbschicago.org>. Applications for the 2015-16 scholarships are available on our webpage directly or through e-mail or regular mail.

Respectfully submitted,

John Paluch

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Chair, Education Committee