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Hendricks County Community Foundation Announces Lilly Endowment Community Scholarship Recipients

The Hendricks County Community Foundation awarded the 2011 Lilly Endowment Community Scholarship to two Hendricks County students at their Annual Dinner last week.

Caroline Bennett of Avon and Daniel Segner of Danville will receive full tuition to the Indiana college of their choice and an \$800 yearly stipend for required books and equipment. They were awarded this prestigious scholarship based on significant community service, outstanding academic achievement and leadership skills.

Caroline is the daughter of Brian and Christine Bennett. She attends Avon High School and is active in Student Government, Yearbook, and the Avon High School Tennis Program. She has participated in community service projects such as the Avon Riley Dance Marathon and other county projects. Caroline plans to attend Butler University and major in accounting.

Daniel is the son of John and Jennifer Segner. He attends Danville Community High School and is active in a variety of Danville High School Bands, including the Marching Warriors, Jazz Band, and more. Daniel successfully reached the Eagle Scout honor in Boy Scouts of America and has also participated in its White Stag National Youth Leadership Training program. Daniel will be attending Valparaiso University to major in organ performance.

The Hendricks County Community Foundation received over 80 scholarship applications from Hendricks County students. After the applications were reviewed, seven students were chosen to be interviewed. Finalists included: Kaylee Fulford, Plainfield High School; Sarah Zabel, Brownsburg High School; Emily Metallic, Cardinal Ritter High School; Lauren Callahan, Danville High School; Kelly Freiburger, Danville High School.

The scholarships are the result of a statewide Lilly Endowment initiative to help Hoosier students reach higher levels of education. Indiana ranks among the lowest states in the percentage of residents over the age of 25 with a bachelor's degree. There will be 216 scholarships awarded statewide.

The Hendricks County Community Foundation works to improve the quality of life in Hendricks County by providing an easy, effective way for donors to meet the critical needs of our community, awarding grants to not-for-profit organizations and projects, and collaborating to address community issues. The Community Foundation manages an \$8 million collection of funds that were

created by individuals, families, businesses and organizations for charitable purposes. In 2010, the Community Foundation gave over \$625,000 in grants to charitable organizations and scholarships to local students. For more information, contact us at 317.718.1200 or visit www.hendrickscountycf.org.



Photo caption: (from left) Caroline Bennett, 2011 recipient; Amanda Miller, 2002 Lilly Scholar and Lilly Endowment Community Scholarship Advisory Committee member; Daniel Segner, 2011 recipient

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