



*East Texas  
Communities Foundation*

*2016 Scholarship Reception*

*May 12, 2016*

*at Marvin United Methodist Church*



Welcome!

East Texas Communities Foundation is pleased to honor the 79 new recipients of scholarships awarded for the 2016-17 academic year. These students were selected from almost 1,200 applicants for 41 different scholarships. Their awards total \$104,550. In addition to this evening's honorees, 33 renewing scholarship recipients will be awarded \$76,250 to continue their education. The total amount of scholarship money East Texas Communities Foundation will distribute for the coming school year is \$180,800.

## **Our Purpose**

ETCF works with individuals, families, businesses, financial advisors and nonprofit organizations to create charitable funds which support a wide variety of community causes and individual philanthropic interests.

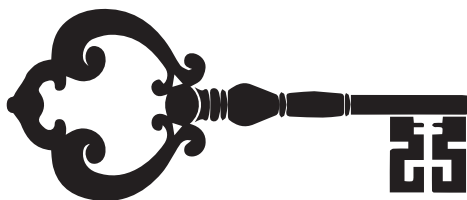
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## **Our Mission**

**East Texas Communities Foundation supports philanthropy by offering simple ways for donors to achieve their long-term charitable goals.**

## PROGRAM

- 5:30 Reception
- 5:45 Welcome Kyle Penney  
President,  
East Texas Communities Foundation
- 5:50 Remarks Gordon Northcutt  
Board President,  
East Texas Communities Foundation
- 5:55 Speaker Lorri Allen  
Journalist, Author and Speaker
- 6:05 Awards Mary Lynn Smith  
Program Officer,  
East Texas Communities Foundation



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## Adam Carroll Scholarship

Established in 2002 with gifts from the family and friends of Adam Carroll, this scholarship honors the memory of a young man known for his love of people, his zest for life, and his love of sports. An honor graduate of Grand Saline High School, Adam was a gifted baseball player, a handsome guy with an infectious smile, and a young man who had big dreams for his life.



One of Adam's favorite sayings was "Always remember who you are, where you come from, and what you represent." Adam Carroll knew who he was, he knew where he came from, both geographically and spiritually, and he knew he represented his family, his school, and his Lord.

The Adam Carroll Memorial Scholarship is awarded to a graduating senior of Grand Saline High School who has participated in high school athletics or cheerleading.

### 2016 Recipient

Gus Crawford .....Grand Saline High School

## A.D. and Mary Winston Scholarship

Mr. and Mrs. Winston were both long-time educators with Tyler ISD who emphasized the importance of higher education.

Established by the Winston children, all graduates of Texas A&M, to honor their parents, the A.D. and Mary Winston Scholarship is awarded to a graduating senior from a Smith County public high school entering Texas A&M University.



### 2016 Recipient

Antonio Betancourt.... John Tyler High School



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# Alex Fleming Infinity Scholarship

Born December 4, 1989, in Bedford, Texas, Alex Fleming was a junior at Whitehouse High School, where he was respected and admired by students and teachers alike for his numerous achievements.

Alex was a member of the National Honor Society, a varsity football and track letterman, and played for the junior varsity baseball team. Moreover, he distinguished himself through his involvement in the Whitehouse High School Band and Jazz Band.

The purpose of the Alex Fleming Infinity Scholarship Fund is to provide a scholarship to a graduating senior at Whitehouse High School who has participated in the band program for four years and shows high moral character.



## 2016 Recipient

Rainey Webb ..... Whitehouse High School

# Roy and Betty Erickson Scholarship

Established by Big Sandy residents Betty and Roy Erickson, this scholarship is awarded to graduating high school seniors in East Texas who have achieved a 4.0 GPA and outstanding SAT/ ACT scores.

## 2016 Recipients

Richard Adams .....	Brook Hill School	Lane Marsh .....	Bullard High School
Tahsin Bari .....	Chapel Hill HS	Samantha Pam .....	Whitehouse HS
Sarah Bradford .....	Hallsville HS	Michael Tang .....	Chapel Hill HS
Alyssa Graham .....	Robert E. Lee HS		
Ezhan Hasan .....	All Saints Episcopal		

# Sharyland Utilities Scholarship

The Sharyland Utilities Scholarship was establish to provide a scholarship to a graduating senior from selected rural schools in the Sharyland Utilities service area. The recipient must plan to major in engineering.

## 2016 Recipient

Austin Sawatsky .....Caddo Mills High School

# Citizen's 1st Bank Perkins Family Foundation State Employees' Children's Scholarship

This scholarship was established through the generosity of Citizens 1st Bank and the Perkins Family Foundation in appreciation of the dedication of State of Texas employees.

### 2016 Recipients

Rebecca Crosman..... Chapel Hill HS    Amanda Mouton ..... UT Austin  
Elizabeth Dover .....Rusk High School    Anna Orr .....Robert E. Lee HS  
Marieliza Martinez..... Sam Houston State

# Gerald and Charlie Stoker Memorial Scholarship

Mr. and Mrs. Stoker were long-time residents of Winnsboro. Family and friends honored them with this scholarship fund.

### 2016 Recipient

Derek Farmer..... Winnsboro High School

# Dr. Elbert H. Caldwell Scholarship

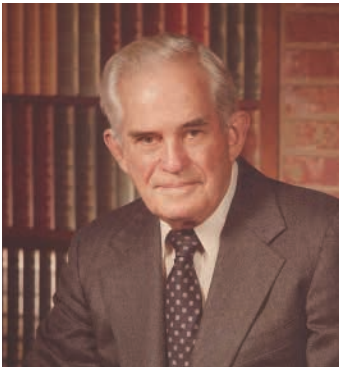
The E. H. Caldwell Scholarship Fund was established in 2001 by the family of Dr. Elbert H. Caldwell, a beloved and respected surgeon whose name became synonymous with East Texas medicine.

Throughout his 46-year career in East Texas, Dr. Caldwell earned the respect and love of both his patients and medical colleagues. Motivated by principles of fairness and honesty, as well as high ethical standards, Dr. Caldwell helped found and cultivate the sophisticated level of medicine still associated with East Texas.

The E. H. Caldwell Scholarships are awarded to East Texas residents wishing to pursue or advance careers in nursing.

### 2016 Recipients

Rheagan Carroll..... Texas Woman's University  
Erin Taylor..... Stephen F. Austin State University



# David G. and Jacqueline M. Braithwaite Scholarships

Dr. David Braithwaite was a brilliant research chemist and Chairman and CEO of Nalco Chemical Company. He was widely recognized in his field for his expertise and innovations.

Mrs. Jacqueline Braithwaite’s numerous philanthropic gifts to the Tyler community reflect her life-long interest in the arts as well as her love of her fellow East Texans.



## Braithwaite Scholarship in Medicine, Veterinary Medicine and Biotechnology

### 2016 Recipients

Ezhan Hasan ..... All Saints Episcopal    Carson Rommel ..... Texas High School

## Braithwaite Scholarship in Chemistry

### 2016 Recipients

Sarah Bradford ..... Hallsville HS    Lane Marsh ..... Bullard High School

## Jacqueline M. Braithwaite Scholarship for Nursing at Tyler Junior College

### 2016 Recipients

Kendal Honeycutt ..... Leon HS    Keyla Barrera ..... John Tyler High School

## Braithwaite Scholarship in Vocational– Technical Study in Medically-Related Fields



### 2016 Recipients

- Jessica Hammon-Mallory .... Tyler Junior College
- Michelle Hudson ..... Tyler Junior College
- Maryann Martin ..... Tyler Junior College
- Jessica Russell ..... Panola Junior College
- Bryan Sanchez ..... Panola Junior College
- Loren Stephenson ..... Panola Junior College
- Chelsea Tart ..... Tyler Junior College
- Erica Templin ..... Tyler Junior College

## East Texas Geological Society Scholarship

The East Texas Geological Society is an educational organization working to further knowledge in the field of geology for both its professional members and students. Students who are at least sophomores and have declared a major in geology are eligible for this scholarship.

### 2016 Recipients

Eric Bergerson.....Univ. of Texas at El Paso   James Pike..... Texas Tech University  
Alden Griffin .....Texas A&M Univ.

## Kristen and Joey Seeber Scholarship

The Kristen and Joey Seeber Scholarship was established to honor former Tyler Mayor Joey Seeber and thank his family for his years of service to the City of Tyler. Contributions from hundreds of Tylerites established this fund.

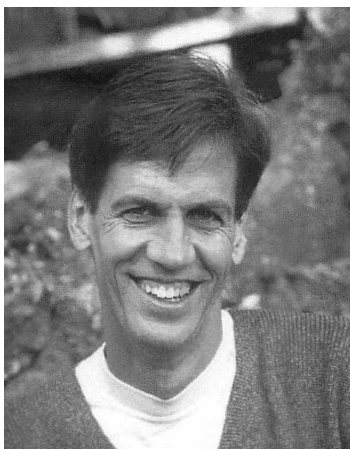
### 2016 Recipient

Oralia Arzaluz..... John Tyler High School

## Gary Neel Memorial Scholarship

Gary Neel was a very proud and passionate 1972 graduate of Robert E. Lee High School and 1976 graduate of the University of Texas at Austin.

At the time of his death, he was a senior district manager at a major pharmaceutical company. His sensitivity, humility, and quiet strength were manifested in his love for his wife, family, co-workers and friends.



Gary's love, friendship, and wisdom touched many hearts and made a difference in the lives of all who knew him. Gary's friends and family established this scholarship fund as a legacy to Gary so that deserving Robert E. Lee High School graduates may be able to attend the University of Texas.

### 2016 Recipient

Emily Shackelford..... Robert E. Lee HS



# Gladys and Thomas “T.B.” Stewart Scholarship

The Stewarts, life-long residents of Tyler, valued their faith and the role of education in their lives and served as positive role models to young people.

Mrs. Stewart was an educator with Tyler ISD for 40 years. It was the Stewart’s desire to make a lasting contribution to their community by rewarding students who share their values of faith, education, and high moral character.



## 2016 Recipients

Oralia Arzaluz.....John Tyler HS    Lauren Lang..... Lindale High School  
Kaylee Burchfield.....Brownsboro HS

# Whitehouse Young Farmers Scholarship

This scholarship fund was established by an ag bootser club to help students attend college who have participated in Agricultural Education while attending Whitehouse High School.

## 2016 Recipient

Brooke Bevill..... Whitehouse High School



# Juliette Low’s Amazing Girls Scholarship

This scholarship is awarded to a young woman from Smith County who has been active in Girl Scouts and, preferably, earned the Gold Award.

## 2016 Recipients

Alyssa Graham.....Robert E. Lee High School  
Kelli Kissinger .....Robert E. Lee High School

## Lauren Lewis Memorial Scholarship



Lauren Lewis was a 2005 graduate of Robert E. Lee High School and a senior at Texas A & M University in College Station at the time of her death.

Lauren was a devoted Christian who loved Jesus Christ and served her fellow students and community. She was active in the Maggie Women's Leadership Organization of Texas A&M University and volunteered at a local Boys & Girls Club.

Lauren (La La) lived life with gusto. Scholarship recipients must demonstrate high moral character, leadership and community service.

### 2016 Recipient

Mackenzie Doke.....Robert E. Lee High School

## Tyler Citizen's Police Academy Alumni Association Scholarship

Citizens who have participated in the Tyler Police Department's Citizen Police Academy know first hand the caliber of the City of Tyler's Police Department.

Reflecting their desire to honor and benefit this wonderful group of civil servants, this scholarship is awarded to dependents of Tyler Police Department employees.



### 2016 Recipient

Haleigh Lemons ..... University of Texas at Austin

## Partners in Arts Scholarship

This scholarship is awarded to Smith County graduating seniors who have actively participated in one of the performing or visual arts such as band, choir, dance, orchestra, theater arts or visual art and who plan to major in the visual or performing arts in college.

### 2016 Recipients

Rebecca Crosman.....Chapel Hill HS   Kara Kuczkowski .....Bullard HS

## Winifred K. George Scholarship

Established by Winifred George, this scholarship is to be awarded to a Smith County graduating senior who plans to attend Abilene Christian University.



### **2016 Recipient**

Sharnae' Givens ..... John Tyler High School

## Natural Gas Society of East Texas Scholarship

The Natural Gas Society of East Texas Scholarship is awarded to an undergraduate or graduate student who has declared a major in the energy industry field. Eligible majors may include one of many degrees offered in engineering or geosciences.

### **2016 Recipient**

Melanie Bowen..... Texas A&M University

## Peace Officers & Firefighters Scholarship

This scholarship was established by the Board of Directors of East Texas Communities Foundation to honor the public service of dedicated peace officers and firefighters.

### **2016 Recipient**

Colton Allen.....Frankston High School

## Sherilyn A. Willis, M.D. Medical Scholarship



Patrick Willis established this scholarship as a wedding anniversary gift in honor of his wife, Dr. Sherilyn Willis of Tyler, Texas.

It was created to help support students in medical school who plan to practice medicine in Texas.

### **2016 Recipient**

Hollie Burrus  
Texas A&M Health Science Center College of Medicine

# Retail Merchants Association of Tyler Scholarship

This scholarship is awarded to graduating seniors from Smith County and selected surrounding school districts who plan to major in business.

## 2016 Recipients

Joanna Bartley .....	Bishop T.K. Gorman HS	Karla Yareli Patino .....	John Tyler HS
Clayton Bell .....	E.T. Christian Academy	Carleigh Powers ....	Bishop T.K. Gorman HS
Joely Burleson .....	Whitehouse HS	Omama Qureshi .....	Whitehouse HS
Filipe Contaifer .....	Lindale HS	William Roberts .....	Robert E. Lee HS
Anna Orr .....	Robert E. Lee HS	Kristyn Voyles .....	Brownsboro HS

# Texas Rose Festival Scholarship

Smith County graduating seniors and current college students are eligible for the Texas Rose Festival Scholarship. The recipient is invited to participate in Rose Sunday events.

## 2016 Recipient

Rachel Lengua  
Robert E. Lee High School



# Richard B. and Mary Lou Hamm Scholarship



Mr. Hamm was active in the oil and gas business. He and Mrs. Hamm enjoyed retirement in Bullard.

Mr. and Mrs. Hamm chose to give back to that community by funding a scholarship for Bullard High School graduates attending the University of Texas at Tyler.

## 2016 Recipients

Jocelyn Hodges.....	Bullard High School
Lane Marsh .....	Bullard High School



## Tim King Memorial Scholarship

Tim King was a graduate of Robert E. Lee High School and the University of Texas at Austin. He began working for Brookshire Grocery Company at the age of 16 as a bag boy and stocker.

At the time of his death, Tim was Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer. He was active in Texas Society of CPAs, Texas Retailers Association, Big Brothers-Big Sisters, Salvation Army, Children's Advocacy Center, and Tyler Economic Development Council. He was truly a servant leader, but mostly he was a loving husband, father, and son.

Family and friends have established this scholarship fund in honor of Tim King for Robert E. Lee High School graduates studying business at the University of Texas.



### 2016 Recipient

Michael Sheppard .....Robert E. Lee High School

## Jay D. Powell Science and Technology Scholarship



The Jay D. Powell Science and Technology Scholarship was established in memory of Jay Powell, a beloved science teacher and coach at Moore MST Magnet School in Tyler for 18 years.

He instilled in his students lessons about life, perseverance, and willpower. Coach Powell touched the lives of many with his love, friendship, wit, and true joy.

### 2016 Recipients

Jonathan Attebery .....Robert E. Lee HS   Antonio Betancourt.....John Tyler HS

# Smith County Baptist Ministers Scholarship



This scholarship was created by a donor who was the son of a Baptist minister. Had it not been for the generosity of lay people in his father’s congregation, the donor would not have been able to attend college.

This scholarship serves as both a tribute to the benefactors who made the donor’s education possible and as a way to make the same kind of investment in promising young people.

It is awarded to dependent children of ordained Baptist ministers serving congregations in Smith County, Texas, that are members of the Baptist General Convention of Texas.

## 2016 Recipients

Shelby Luptak ..... Tyler Junior College    Nyia Young ..... Robert E. Lee HS  
Grant Jones ..... Baylor University

# Allen and Nancy Locklin Scholarship

The Allen and Nancy Locklin Scholarship is awarded to a graduating high school senior from Smith County who plans to attend the University of Texas at Tyler.

The recipient must demonstrate outstanding citizenship, leadership qualities, Christian devotion, excellent moral character, and a commitment to community service.



## 2016 Recipient

Lane Marsh ..... Bullard High School

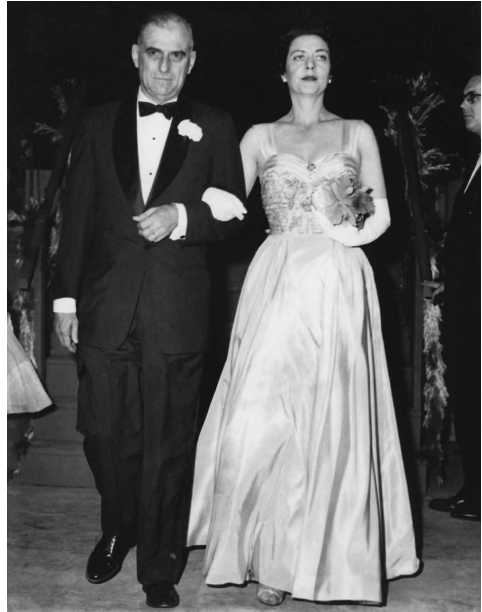
## Ben and Florine Ramsey Scholarship

Mrs. Ramsey established this scholarship in memory of her husband, Ben, who was extremely proud of his hometown of San Augustine, Texas and who believed in the importance of education.

### **2016 Recipient**

Mark Moreno

San Augustine High School



## Christopher Lyon Memorial Scholarship

This scholarship was established in 2007 through the generosity of gifts from the family and friends of Christopher Lyon.



It honors the memory of a young man known for his art, delicate soul, and quirky laugh. Born in 1973 in Greenville, S.C., Chris was an artist by profession. He received his BFA in Drawing, Painting, and Photography from Western Carolina University in 1996 and his MFA in Painting from the University of Pennsylvania in 1999 where he met his wife Alexis, now an art professor at the University of Texas at Tyler.

Chris died on January 9th, 2007, as a result of a motor vehicle accident. This scholarship was created to remember Chris, encourage young art students, and reward them for their hard work.

### **2016 Recipient**

Lisa Horlander..... University of Texas at Tyler

## Fredrick Michael Nachman Scholarship



Fredrick (Mike) M. Nachman graduated from the University of Texas-Austin with a degree in Business Administration.

He served in the Air Force Reserves and he was a University of Texas Exes Life member. He started his career with Leasing Associates, Inc. in 1970 and in 2001 became CEO and sole owner. He was respected for his fair and ethical business practices.

Mike loved hunting, fishing, and watching football. He was a loving family man.

Created by the Nachman family in remembrance of their father, this scholarship is awarded to a Smith County or Houston Bellaire High School graduating senior majoring in business at the University of Texas at Austin.

### **2016 Recipient**

Omama Qureshi..... Whitehouse High School

## Art Excellence Scholarship

An anonymous donor established the Art Excellence Scholarship Fund to provide educational scholarships for primarily non-traditional students pursuing Studio Art or Art History at the University of Texas at Tyler.

### **2016 Recipient**

Chelsea Bretherick  
University of Texas  
at Tyler

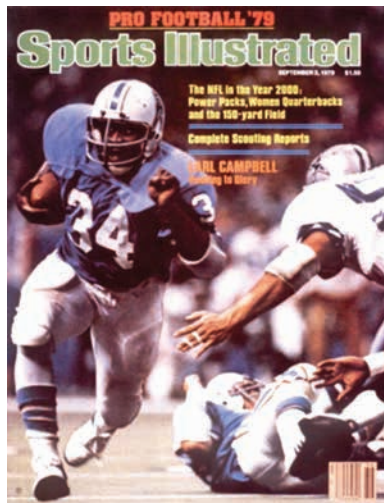




## Earl Campbell Tyler Rose High School Scholarship

The Earl Campbell Tyler Rose High School Scholarship was established by SPORTyler, Inc. in 2014. This scholarship is awarded to graduating seniors from Smith County high schools that participated in varsity athletics program. The intent of the Earl Campbell Scholarship is to encourage student athletes to succeed on and off the field.

Recipients should exemplify the following characteristics: integrity, teamwork, sportsmanship, persistence and community involvement.



### 2016 Recipient

Ashtyn Beal ..... John Tyler High School



## Kathy's Kids Scholarship

This scholarship fund is established in honor of Kathy Smith. Born in 1962 with a rare genetic condition known as Seckel Syndrome, Kathy has spent her entire life unable to speak, but communicates very well through body language and audible sounds. She has made a difference in the lives of the residents living at Richmond State School where she has resided since 1974. This scholarship fund honors the life of Kathy Smith by providing educational scholarships to young women in the Longview area who, like Kathy, have faced challenges.

### 2016 Recipient

Ashley Ayala ..... Hallsville High School

**East Texas Communities Foundation is extremely grateful to the following community members who served on our Scholarship Selection Committees this year. They donate hours of time reading applications, impart valuable insights, and help keep the selection process impartial and objective.**

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Terrance Garmon	Terry McRae		



Cristina Sanchez was one of the recipients of the Gladys and Thomas "T.B." Stewart Scholarship in 2015. Pictured left to right: Gordon Northcutt, ETCF Board Chairman, Sanchez and Kyle Penney, ETCF President.

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