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Plateau awards over \$100,000 in scholarships

(Clovis, N.M.)... Thirty-two graduating high school seniors shared in over \$100,000 in scholarships awarded from the Plateau Cooperative Education Foundation. Since its inception in 1993, the Foundation has now awarded over \$1.13 million in scholarships and grants to area high school students. Scholarship winners were introduced at the Cooperative's Annual Membership Meeting held in Clovis, New Mexico on April 22.

Education Foundation Scholarship winners for 2017 are:

\$6,400 Robert M. Harris Memorial Scholarship recipients are:

Joseph J. Esquibel – Santa Rosa High School
Jacob A. Naranjo – Clayton High School
Sherrie Loise Ray – Mosquero High School
(This scholarship honors Plateau's first full-time general manager, Robert M. Harris.)

\$6,400 Evelyn Patterson Memorial Scholarship recipients are:

Kaylee Jean Bruhn – Logan High School
Ashley Adelle Idensohn – Fort Sumner High School
Sarah Jo Samora – Clovis High School
(This scholarship is named in honor of the Cooperative's first employee, Evelyn Patterson.)

\$2,500 Banner Scholarships recipients are:

Makayla Dawn Baker – Clayton High School
Aubrey Kate Brandenberger – Corona High School
Kylee Michelle Brooks – Clovis High School
Sanaie L. Castillo – Vaughn High School
Maria G. Crisostomo – Santa Rosa High School
Dannie Leigh Deason – Clayton High School
Payton Daylee Dunsworth – Corona High School
Jerome Elliot Earle – Logan High School
Maesa Day Eicke – Mosquero High School
Tiffany Angel Encinias – West Las Vegas High School
Hannah Marie Hughes – Texico High School
Hayden Clark Hughes – Texico High School
Katelyn Jessica May – Fort Sumner High School

Shaylee Beth Moon – House High School
Meredith Anne Ratke – Farwell High School
Crucita Renee Rodarte – Santa Rosa High School
Ryan Michael Schroeder – Clayton High School
Madalynn Jo Sealey - Texico High School
Jereika A. Sena – Fort Sumner High School
Raymond Anthony Sena – St. Michael's High School
Bailey Rhea Smith – Mosquero High School
Ashlon Brienne Snipes – Logan High School
Hunter William Sparks – Fort Sumner High School
Brayden Walker – Clayton High School
Garrett Ethan Wright – Melrose High School

Named as alternates are:

Anna Justene Castillo – Vaughn High School
Jerome L. Sena – Fort Sumner High School
Colton Ryan Shaw – Springer High School

Sage Marie Starbuck – Grady High school
Mya M. Vigil – Mosquero High School

\$1,000 Tonie Martinez Memorial Committed to Excellence Endowment Scholarship recipient is:

Katelyn May – Fort Sumner High School

Funding for the Education Foundation comes from Cooperative members' donated and abandoned capital credit payments. One of the Education Foundation's goals is to improve educational opportunities for the youth in the Cooperative's service area.

Formed in 1949 as Eastern New Mexico Rural Telephone Cooperative, Plateau provides advanced telecommunications services including voice, Internet and video to residents in all or parts of 14 eastern New Mexico counties and three in the Texas Panhandle.

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