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### **Williamson Medical Center Foundation awards 34 scholarships**

**FRANKLIN, TENN.** – Williamson Medical Center Foundation recently awarded scholarships to 34 Williamson County residents pursuing degrees in health care.

Receiving the inaugural Issac W. “Ike” Brown Scholarship, named in honor of Williamson Medical Center’s retired board chairman, is William Walton, a third-year medical student at the University of Tennessee Health Sciences Center and former patient assistant at WMC.

Brown had served on the WMC Board of Trustees since 1986 before retiring in May.

“Ike Brown has dedicated his time to improving health care in Williamson County for 24 years, and the result of that commitment will be seen for years to come,” says Williamson Medical Center Foundation Executive Director Steve Smith. “It is fitting to honor him with a scholarship for Williamson County students pursuing degrees in health care to help continue his legacy.”

The Foundation also awarded 33 Fay Porter Memorial Medical Scholarships, named in honor of a well-known Medical Center volunteer who passed away at WMC in 1994 after a long battle with cancer.

This year, college students receiving the scholarship include Sally Armstrong, Lipscomb University; Olivia Banner, University of Tennessee–Chattanooga; Blair Battle, Belmont University; Amelia Bufford, Columbia State Community College; Natalie Durio, Nashville State Community College; Jenine Fajardo, Middle Tennessee State University; Shelia Green, Columbia State Community College; Gregory Headley, Middle Tennessee State University; Kristy Lancaster, University of Tennessee–Knoxville; Phillip Michael Person, Tennessee State University; Christina Skaggs, Tennessee Tech University; Wesley Sparkmon, University of Mississippi; Courtney Spaulding, University of Tennessee–Chattanooga; Joshua Thompson, Columbia State Community College; Michael Wallace, George Washington University Medical Center; and Robin Williams, Tennessee Tech University.

Graduating high school seniors receiving the Fay Porter Memorial Medical Scholarship include Sarah Babcock, Page High School; Kelsey Clark, Battle Ground Academy; Chris Elmlinger, Ravenwood High School; Camden Hastings, Ravenwood High School; Haley Holder, Page High School; Tanisha Jones, Page High School; Gordon Kinnaman, Independence High School; Madelaine Liederbach, Ravenwood High School; Victoria Longaberger, Independence High School; Chelsea Montague, Brentwood High

School; Holly Olsson, Centennial High School; Erin Pettepher, Ravenwood High School; Hailey Reed, Independence High School; Sarah Risen, Ravenwood High School; Rachael Allison Segal, Battle Ground Academy; Molly Sullivan, Ravenwood High School; and Brittany Ward, Ravenwood High School.

The scholarships are made possible by contributions from WMC's medical staff, employees and the community. The annual Williamson Medical Center Foundation Golf Tournament also benefits the scholarship. Community support has enabled the Foundation to increase the number of scholarships awarded each year, growing from 23 in 2009 to 34 this year.

Williamson Medical Center is a 185-bed hospital fully accredited by The Joint Commission that provides comprehensive inpatient and outpatient care including emergency services, with credentialed physicians in 53 specialties and sub-specialties. The community-focused hospital offers a wide range of wellness services, screenings and classes. For more information about Williamson Medical Center, visit [williamsonmedicalcenter.org](http://williamsonmedicalcenter.org).

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