

### **2016 Scholarship Winners**

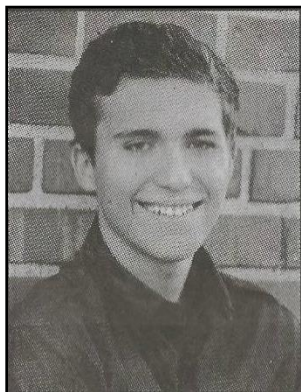


On June 1<sup>st</sup> association president Mike Lehmann presented the 2016 alumni scholarships to Martin Mendoza and Thomas Cline at the Senior Awards on June 1<sup>st</sup> at the EHS Performing Arts Center. Each award winner received \$1000 to apply to the school of their designation.

Martin Mendoza plans on putting his scholarship money to good use at Washington State University where he plans to receive a Bachelor's Degree in Business Entrepreneurship with the goal of running a hospitality business. During his time at EHS he has been involved with the National Honor Society, M.E.C.H.A., Avid, Varsity Soccer Captain, Honor Choir Club, Cabaret, Link Crew, Key Club, and Poetry Out Loud.

Martin's transcript indicates that he is a high academic achiever, earning high marks in Pre-Calculus, Physics, Honors 12, Heritage Spanish 2, American Literature and Trigonometry/Algebra 2. His teachers highly recommended him for the scholarship, noting that he is a well-rounded, hardworking, positive student.

Martin indicated, "I have respected and represented the Ephrata High School to its most beneficial manner and have been a part of its great activities for I knew that one day it would pay off. I hope that this opportunity in receiving this scholarship is one of them. I have given the Ephrata High School my greatest efforts to succeed in life and can say I will take the same and even greater efforts into college."



Thomas Cline will be attending Big Bend Community College with the goal of being certified as a Physical Therapist Assistant (PTA), Bachelor Degree in Exercise Science, and Associate Degree in Business. While attending EHS he studied American History 101-102, Intro to Shakespeare, Honors English 11, English 101, Chemistry, Physics, Pre-Calculus, and Personal Finance.

Thomas participated in Track and Field, Cross Country, and Wrestling. He was a member of the National Honor Society, EHS Choir, and Choral Club. His teachers agree that he has a very positive attitude about his education and that he is a person who takes a great deal of pride in his work as he strives to make himself better.

Thomas believes he has a plan "that will lead me towards a successful future. I understand what must be done in order to achieve my goals. Having given it much thought, I am confident that becoming a Physical Therapist Assistant is a sound and practical decision."