



HIGH SCHOOL WINNERS

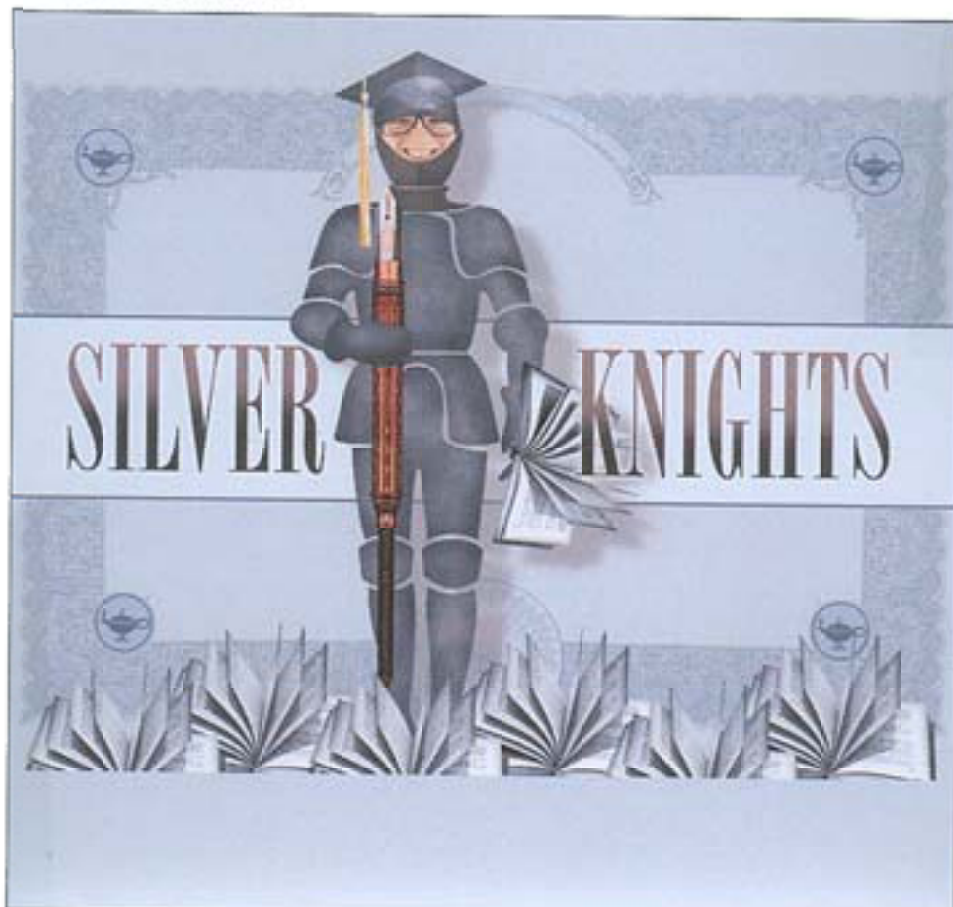


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Bright future on horizon

On Tuesday, some of Broward and Miami-Dade counties' best and brightest students took the stage at the 2009 Silver Knight Awards ceremony.

In its 51st year overall, the program honored 30 winners in 15 different categories who excel in the classroom and in their communities. Also named were 90 honorable mention students, three in each category in Broward and Miami-Dade.

In today's Neighbors, we salute those students who earned an Honorable Mention. They received a \$500 scholarship and an engraved plaque.

In the past half century, more than 16,000 students have been nominated and more than 1,100 have earned

the accolade of Silver Knight. They include rocket scientists, corporate CEOs, diplomats, judges, doctors, musicians, artists and teachers.

Former Miami Herald publisher John S. Knight created the program to honor high school seniors.

The Broward winners were announced Tuesday and published in Wednesday's editions of The Miami Herald. The ceremony can be viewed on WLRN at these times: 8 p.m. June 8; 7 p.m. June 11; 2 p.m. June 21; and on WBFS-TV at 2:30 p.m. July 6.

The winners were:

- **Art** — Aileen Zeigen, University School at Nova Southeastern University.

- **Athletics** — Sarah Benckenstein, Coral Springs High.

- **Business** — Jay Adam Shechtman, Cypress Bay High.

- **Drama** — Lauren Allison, Western High.

- **English & Literature** — Emma Janaskie, North Broward Preparatory School.

- **Foreign Language** — Janette Hernandez, Hallandale High.

- **General Scholarship** — Megan Elizabeth Barron, Coral Springs High.

- **Journalism** — Brittany Young, North Broward Preparatory School.

- **Mathematics** —

Edward Andre Pino, Hollywood Hills High.

- **Music** — Ariana Baurley, North Broward Preparatory School.

- **New Media** — Kayla Grace O'Brien, Hollywood Hills High.

- **Science** — Renata Dinamarco, Pembroke Pines Charter High.

- **Social Science** — Ganarya Dorakwamy, Cypress Bay High.

- **Speech** — Lauren Marie Barriere, Nova High.

- **Vocational Technical** — Jasmine Brown, Hallandale High.

Each winner received a \$2,000 scholarship, a Silver Knight statuette, a medallion and one round-trip ticket on American Airlines.

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