



Ryan Duarte, who graduated from St. Leander School just last year, has started a scholarship for other St. Leander students.

Duarte decided to create a scholarship named after the man that inspired him to live a life of humility, integrity and charity – Elie Wiesel.

Wiesel is a professor, political activist, Nobel Laureate, and Holocaust survivor as well as the author of 57 books, including *Night*, a work based on his experiences as a prisoner in the Auschwitz, Buna, and Buchenwald concentration camps.

St. Leander Grad Starts His Own Scholarship

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Duarte raised the money himself to fund the scholarship, exemplifying the type of student the school says it strives to produce, one that is faith-led, service-oriented, and leads with thoughtfulness.

The first recipient of this scholarship (which Duarte hopes to give out each year) is Ashleen Calhan, who won by turning in an essay on how she shows compassion for others.

CAPTION: St. Leander School Class of 2011 graduate Ryan Duarte raised money to create a scholarship after being inspired by Holocaust survivor Elie Wiesel. The first recipient was Ashleen Calhan of the Class of 2012.

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