



# NEWS RELEASE

## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

**Contact:** Sarah Mahisekar, Marketing Communication and Public Relations, at 773-286-3883, or [smahisekar@aldengroup.org](mailto:smahisekar@aldengroup.org)

### ALDEN JOINS LIST OF SCHOLARSHIP DONORS

Bloomington, Ill. (July 1, 2010) – Alden Health Care & Senior Living is the 12<sup>th</sup> business to participate in the Bloomington Chamber of Commerce’s ‘Classroom to Career’ scholarship program.

With the addition of Alden’s \$1,000 scholarship , the Chamber can now grant up to \$12,000 to students for use toward their education at a junior college, vocational school, four-year college/university or graduate school. In addition to the generous monetary donation, Alden staff will help mentor its scholarship student by sharing their professional expertise and experiences throughout the student’s college career.

Alden leaders presented their scholarship recipient, Tapas Patel of Bloomington, with the \$1,000 check during the Chamber’s ceremonial Scholarship Breakfast on June 10 days after he graduated from Lake Park High School. Patel would like to learn more about the health care industry and plans on becoming a volunteer at one of Alden’s eight properties in Bloomington. He will be using the scholarship this fall during his freshman year at Loyola University.

“We are thrilled to be involved in such an innovative and admirable program,” says Don Dalicandro, administrator, Alden Valley Ridge Rehabilitation and Health Care Center. “I look forward to getting to know Tapas Patel and sharing my experiences in health care with him.”

Alden Health Care & Senior Living in Bloomington includes Alden Valley Ridge Rehabilitation and Health Care Center, the newly opened Alden Gardens of Bloomington

Supportive Living Community, Alden Village Health Facility for Children and Young Adults, Bloomingdale Horizon Independent Senior Community and four group homes for developmentally disabled adults.

**PHOTO:**



From left, Bryan Pottow, community liaison for Alden Valley Ridge Rehabilitation and Health Care Center in Bloomingdale, presents Tapas Patel with a \$1,000 scholarship as part of Bloomingdale Chamber of Commerce's 'Classroom to Career' scholarship program.

*For more information about Alden Health Care & Senior Living, visit the website at [www.thealdennetwork.com](http://www.thealdennetwork.com).*

###