STUDENT OF THE WEEK
Kristin Ronzi

This Euclid resident received a scholarship to take a trip from Aug. 9-22 to South Korea from the Council on International Educational Exchange, a world-leader in international education and student exchange.

"I was honored to have been selected to be a recipient of the CIEE scholarship," Ronzi said. "It is still somewhat surreal that in a couple weeks I will be in South Korea."

Ronzi, a Hathaway Brown senior, is one of 100 high school students selected to participate in the third annual South Korea Scholarship Program, which is referred to in Korea as the Korea – U.S. Youth Network.

Students will be hosted by Yonsei University and will attend academic lectures, tours and cultural excursions throughout the program, with the intention of fostering understanding and diplomacy between the United States and South Korea.

"I love the idea of having the opportunity to experience the Korean culture for the first time. Being able to see it 'up close' will be one of those 'gold nuggets' that I will keep all of my life," she said.

Ronzi, 16, said she is especially looking forward to talking to her Korean peers and asking them about the things they like as teenagers in South Korea.

On Aug. 8, Ronzi will set off to represent the United States and Hathaway Brown. The program begins in one of five U.S. gateway cities, where students will be met by CIEE representatives who will provide them with a pre-departure orientation to prepare them for their experience abroad.