

Named Scholarships and Recipients

Division #58 of the California Retired Teachers Association is 600 members strong and supports the scholarship fund with numerous fundraising activities throughout the year. (*Sydney Gallion, ECHS*)

Patricia Rupley served the district for many years as a teacher, counselor, principal, and central office administrator. Her lasting legacy was her unyielding commitment to making the schools responsive to ever changing needs of the students. (*Tommy Saephan, MCHS*)

Richmond Association of School Administrators (RASA) is the local chapter of the Association of California School Administrators (ACSA). One of the goals of the organization is to support scholarships for graduating seniors. (*Olivia Verneti, HHS*)

Atsuko (Sue) Yusa studied at San Francisco State before being interned at Tanforan and then Poston. After World War II, she graduated from UCB and taught for over 29 years in the Richmond Unified School District. She continues to help students by providing a scholarship from her estate. (*Ngan Dam RHS*)

James W. Kelly remembered the WCCRE Scholarship Fund with an annual contribution from his trust fund. (*Cali Nguyen, DAHS*)

Carol Ozanich was a dedicated WCCUSD teacher for many years. When she retired she continued to help students by serving on the Scholarship Board for six years as Secretary and then Financial Chair. Her family has provided a scholarship to honor her memory. (*Ivette Alejandre, MCHS*)

Scott Honey, Pinole Valley Graduate and former WCCRES Fund scholarship recipient has provided a scholarship in appreciation of the kindness of teachers and staff members through 20 years of public education. (*Yessenia Reyna, PVHS*)

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Thank you to all who read scholarship applications.

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WEST CONTRA COSTA RETIRED EDUCATORS SCHOLARSHIP FUND

38th Annual Scholarship Awards

May 29, 2014



PROGRAM

Welcome and Introductions

Scholarship Awards

Closing Remarks

MISSION STATEMENT

The West Contra Costa Retired Educators Scholarship Fund (WCCRESF) exists to provide post-secondary scholarships to students who graduate from West Contra Costa Unified School District high schools.

SCHOLARSHIP FUNDING

A special thank you to the participants of the following who contributed to the sources for the scholarships:

The Annual Benefit Drawing; Division 58 CalRTA Annual Budget Allocation; Memorial and Honorarium Gifts; Boutique Sales; Little Red Schoolhouse Donations; and the Scholarship Quilt Raffle.

HISTORY

In 1977, the California Retired Teachers Association (CalRTA), Division #58, representing retired employees of the Richmond Unified School District, (now the WCCUSD), began awarding college scholarships to high school graduates.

The West Contra Costa Retired Educators Scholarship Fund was established in 1996 as an independent board. The Fund is governed by a board of fourteen directors. All board members are retired educators. The directors serve three-year terms, and are limited to two consecutive terms. They serve without compensation. Policy matters are decided by majority vote.

The first year, an award of \$100 was given—**this year there are 29 awards of \$1,500 each.** To date, the Fund has granted a total of \$580,450 to 487 students. We wish to thank the generosity of all of the retired and current employees and friends of education who help us continue this important program.

You may visit the website at wccrescholarship.org for informational updates and a list of this year's donors.

2014 SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

DE ANZA—presented by Norma Thinger
Cali Nguyen

EL CERRITO—presented by Janet Smith
Sydney Gallion *Ying-An Wang*
Joshua Ko *Sweta Yonjan*
Hannah Phalen *Linda Yuann*
Kazaria Phillips *Qingqing Zhang*

HERCULES—presented by Cheryl Lilhanand
Christian Abraham *Nia Ewing*
Olivia Verneti

MIDDLE COLLEGE—presented by Hattie Smith-Bynes
Ivette Alejandre *Jason Owusu*
Cynthia Ezeokoli *Camila Quintana Del Carpio*
Kevin Hulen *Tommy Saephan*
Audrey Webb

PINOLE VALLEY—presented by Terry Sinclair
Syed Ali *Hannah Lee Pablo*
Kimberly de Dios *Yessenia Reyna*

RICHMOND—presented by Mike Peritz
Henry Benitez *Salvador Jauregui*
Toriana Blackwood *Alexandro Moya*
Ngan Dam *Cynthia Sanchez*