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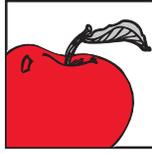
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ENDOWMENT



Vollne “Von” Kwallek Fine Arts Teachers Memorial Education Endowment

The Vollne “Von” Kwallek Fine Arts Teachers Memorial Education Endowment honors former Round Rock Fine Arts Teacher, Mr. Von Kwallek. Von taught at Round Rock High School for over 19 years with a passion for the arts and for encouraging students to find their love of art. Prior to his passing on January 3, 2019 of brain cancer, Mr. Kwallek and his lovely wife Nancy established an endowment to support future purchases of art supplies for the Art teachers at Round Rock High School.

While at Round Rock High School, Von participated in many extra-curricular activities with his students. One such notable achievement was organizing and advising an art club where they designed and built a huge dragon mascot which would ‘breathe fire’ at the school’s football games. Loved by his students, he often received notes of thanks for his dedication to teaching and providing a fun and creative environment in the classroom. One former student, a renowned award-winning artist, writer, and creative director of a design studio dedicated his book to Von: “Von Kwallek, one of my high school art instructors, instilled in me the importance of problem solving, which has carried me through my entire career. My teaching style can be directly attributed to Kwallek’s passion for education and his unbelievable ability to share his knowledge. Thank you. Thank you. Thank you.”

FINE ARTS FUND SCHOLARSHIP



Adrian Zamarripa Memorial Fine Arts Fund Scholarship

Adrian Zamarripa, the son of Sebastian Zamarripa, Jr. and Lillie Delgado, was born and raised in Round Rock, Texas. He attended Berkman Elementary School, C.D. Fulkes Middle School, and graduated from Round Rock High School in 1991. After graduation, he became a dedicated IT Systems Analyst in the legal field. Adrian attributed his strong work ethic to his mom, Lillie, who worked for Round Rock ISD for 42 years.

Adrian had a deep love for music and was a self-taught guitarist and pianist. He owned over 20 guitars and was enthusiastic about each one. After Adrian’s passing from cancer on October 31, 2018, together family and friends raised funds in support of the Adrian Zamarripa Memorial Fine Arts Fund Scholarship. In honoring Adrian’s love of all forms of music, the fund was created to support private lessons for any student in need who participates in band, choir, orchestra, mariachi and any other form of music. The fund will also support the purchase of new instruments/equipment that a student cannot afford to purchase on their own as part of their participation in any organized district wide fine arts program.

MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIPS



Alexia “Lexi” Scordelis Memorial Scholarship (\$2,500)

Alexia Journey Scordelis passed away on February 21, 2019 after a tragic car accident. Lexi loved life and all those she encountered. She was an excellent example of outstanding academics and someone who showed compassion in her daily life. She was beautiful inside and out with the unique ability to make loving others around her look easy. The Alexia Journey Scordelis Memorial Scholarship is for students who exemplify a sense of community. To honor Alexia, this scholarship will be given to a graduating Stony Point student who has a GPA of 3.5 or above, has completed 80 hours of Tigers in Service by graduation, attending a 4 year University and exhibits hard work and compassion.

2020 Recipient:

Samantha Anderson, Stony Point High School



April Kimberly Allen Gunter Memorial Scholarship (\$1,200)

April Kimberly (Allen) Gunter — wonderful daughter, wife, and mother — shared her talents and fun-loving spirit with her community and every person around her. She offered her knowledge, determination, and inspiration in many leadership roles including President of Hernandez Middle School PTA, and as a Parent Support Specialist and College Bound Mentor Coordinator for Round Rock ISD. Continuing a three-generation family tradition, April also served as a Girl Scout leader for her daughter’s troop. The April K. Gunter Memorial Scholarship is awarded to students who have dedicated their time to mentoring another student during high school.

2020 Recipients:

Brandon Hanen, Round Rock High School

Kathryn Pua, McNeil High School



“Be Present Project Scholarship” in Memory of Tret Laine Wells (\$1,000)

Tret was born on June 21, 2015. He was a happy healthy baby and brought so much love and joy to all who met him. Tret was the youngest of five children, all who were adopted. Tret was called to his eternal home unexpectedly on January 8, 2017 at the very young age of 18 months old. He had a very rare and aggressive form of brain cancer known as ATRT, (Atypical Teratoid/Rhabdoid Tumor). Tret’s curly hair, personality, smile and affectionate demeanor melted the hearts of many in his short time here on Earth. He could put a smile on anyone’s face in a matter of seconds. Through the death of Tret Laine Wells, The “Be Present Project” was born. The Be Present Project is a non-profit organization with plans of giving back to the community, one of which is funding a scholarship to seniors in Round Rock ISD who are present in their community.

2020 Recipient:

Jose Duran, Stony Point High School



Eric Rabushka Memorial Scholarship (\$1,000)

Eric Rabushka attended Round Rock High School 2009-2013 and ran on the Cross Country and Track teams each year. Eric was attending Texas A&M, and was studying Petroleum Engineering at the time of his passing. Eric forged long lasting friendships and created many cherished memories during his years on the Cross Country team. He was known for his infectious laugh, loyal friendships, and his impromptu runs to Round Rock Donuts after early morning practices. Being on the Cross Country team deeply shaped Eric's life, relationships, and perspective. The Eric Rabushka Memorial Scholarship was created in Eric's memory to honor senior runners who are on the varsity Cross Country team at Round Rock High School.

2020 Recipients:

Mia Sanchez, Round Rock High School

Ruben Estrada, Round Rock High School



Justin Boen Memorial Scholarship (\$1,000)

In the game of life, Justin Boen was an extraordinary human being, and in the game of baseball he exemplified the true meaning of a team player. Justin passed away on November 3, 2012 of an acute chronic bronchial asthma attack. He attended Deep Wood ES, Chisholm Trail MS, and Round Rock HS, graduating in 2008. He was a four-year letterman for the Dragon baseball team. Justin was a friend to all and never hesitated to tell those important in his life how much he loved them. With his contagious smile and kind heart, Justin touched many lives. Although Justin will always be truly missed, his legacy lives on in all who love life, show love and respect to others, and strive to make this world a better place. The Justin Boen Memorial Scholarship is awarded to a senior varsity baseball player planning to attend any higher education program.

2020 Recipient:

Dylan Pettit, Round Rock High School



Justin Boen AVID Scholarship (\$1,000)

The Justin Boen AVID Scholarship is for students who have participated in the RRISD AVID program. The AVID (Advancement Via Individual Determination) program is a college-readiness system designed to increase the number of students who enroll in four-year colleges.

2020 Recipient:

Kali Rydolph-Garrett, McNeil High School



Kyle David Stoetzel Memorial Scholarship (\$2,000)

Kyle David Stoetzel was a very accomplished student, musician, volunteer and leader. At Texas State he was very successful in the music and leadership programs and was an inspiration to many students. Kyle's dream was to become a Middle School or High School Band Director. The Kyle David Stoetzel Memorial Scholarship was established to support selected Round Rock ISD Fine Arts graduating Seniors whose primary goal is to become a Fine Arts teacher in the public or private sector upon graduation, demonstrates community service, and who have overcome adversity to be accepted to a college or university.

2020 Recipients:

Jackson Sandre, Cedar Ridge High School

Joel Carter, Round Rock High School



Lillie C. Delgado Memorial Scholarship (\$1,500)

A loving mother, friend and member of the Round Rock ISD family, Lillie Delgado, lost her battle with cancer on April 4, 2012. She faithfully served the students and staff of Round Rock ISD for 42 years. Lillie's passion for detail and perfectionism helped shape the District's reputation as one of the best in Texas. Lillie officially retired from the district in February 2012. To honor her many years of service, the RRISD Board of Trustees approved adding her signature to the graduate diplomas for the Class of 2012 and in 2019, the District's central office was named in her honor. The Lillie C. Delgado Memorial Scholarship honors students who plan to major in the field of education.

2020 Recipient:

Sarah Keilen, Round Rock High School



Marsha Swenson Memorial Scholarship (\$1,000)

Marsha Swenson was a strong supporter of Success High School. She believed in giving people a second chance in life, which represents the school mascot. She believed in the strong value of higher education and continuing education. She had a passion for serving others, which explains why she chose the nursing field as her career. She later, through continuing education, became a nurse case manager and was certified in rehabilitation nursing and case management. In February 2013, due to her breast cancer returning after being in remission for a short period of time, she was unable to continue working her business. Marsha passed away in July of 2014. Marsha's connection to Success High School and Round Rock ISD is through her husband Dan Swenson who has served as counselor at Success for the past 17 years.

2020 Recipients:

Robert "Luke" Bradley, Success High School

Victoria Gamboa, Success High School



Michael Murillo III Memorial Scholarship (\$1,000)

Michael Murillo III was a member of the Stony Point High School graduating class of 2015. Michael passed away June 4, 2015 and leaves behind an enduring legacy among family, friends and strangers alike. He cared deeply for those who are less fortunate and was generous with assistance and advice. Michael was a member of the Stony Point Health Sciences Academy Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA) Program and was looking forward to attending Austin Community College in the fall, eventually attending nursing school.

2020 Recipients:

Alina Ahmed, Stony Point High School

Mya Ogbodiegwu, Stony Point High School



Officer Charles Whites Round Rock Police Officer Association Memorial Scholarship (\$1,000)

On April 27, 2018, Police Officer Charles M. Whites, Jr. succumbed to injuries sustained when hit by a vehicle on February 25, 2018 while directing traffic. Born on August 22, 1954 in Sherman, TX, with a courageous soul to wear the badge, Officer Whites had been saving, serving, and protecting the people as a Law Enforcement Officer for 19 years. Officer Whites was most known for his calm demeanor and passion for the job; a veteran lawman who loved being out on the streets, patrolling his beloved community. He was a well-respected Officer among his peers and the citizens he served. The Officer Charles Whites Round Rock Police Officer Association Memorial Scholarship, recognizes seniors of Cedar Ridge, Round Rock, Stony Point and Success High School that demonstrate a commitment to their community.

2020 Recipient:

Tara Huynh, Stony Point High School



Raymond E. Hartfield Memorial Scholarship (\$2,500)

Raymond E. Hartfield was a remarkable husband, father, grandfather, brother, uncle, mentor, and friend to those who knew him. He served 14 years on the Round Rock ISD Board of Trustees, six as President, during a time of unprecedented district growth. Raymond led efforts to bring Austin Community College to Williamson County, and was instrumental in bringing other higher learning institutions to Round Rock as well. His wit and storytelling abilities were legendary. The Raymond E. Hartfield Memorial Scholarship is awarded to students involved in music, including band, orchestra, and/or choir.

2020 Recipients:

Elise Arzola, Stony Point High School

Jacob Duffer, Round Rock High School



Round Rock ISD Partners in Education Foundation George G. Mooney Jr. Memorial Scholarship (\$1,500)

George Gerald Mooney Jr. was born and raised in San Antonio. Before graduating from Prairie View A&M, he landed a job with TXU and made Round Rock his home. He was an active member of Sweet Home Baptist Church, Lions Club, Rotary Club, Texas Baptist Children's Home, Round Rock Chamber of Commerce, and the Round Rock ISD Partners in Education Foundation. His joy was giving back as a volunteer, Sunday school teacher, mentor and coach. George lost his battle with cancer in 1999. The George G. Mooney Memorial Jr. Scholarship was created by the Round Rock ISD Partners in Education Foundation in George's name to honor a student who is committed to community service.

2020 Recipient:

Nhi Tran, McNeil High School



Round Rock ISD Partners in Education Foundation Michael Clarke Memorial Scholarship (\$1,500)

Mr. Clarke dedicated countless hours as a Round Rock ISD mentor between three different campuses (Deep Wood, Gattis Elementary and C.D. Fulkes Middle School). He also served the District as a member on the Citizens Committee for boundary changes. Mr. Clarke served as a Round Rock ISD Partners in Education Foundation Board member and on the Executive Board as the Foundation Treasurer. With a great sense of humor and knowledge, Mr. Clarke served not only the students but the Foundation when called upon. The Foundation was blessed to have such a dedicated and loyal member for so many years. The Round Rock ISD Partners in Education Foundation, developed 34 years ago, designated a scholarship in Michael Clarke's honor to be presented to a Round Rock ISD student who demonstrates excellence in academics, community service, leadership and volunteerism.

2020 Recipient:

Anna Wicker, Westwood High School



Ryan Cole Murphy Memorial Scholarship (\$1,000)

Ryan Cole and Kylie Christine Murphy were tragically taken from this earth on their way home from Texas Tech University on September 5, 2014. Ryan was an amazing athlete and started competing in sports at a very young age. While at McNeil High School in 2011, Ryan was named to the 2nd Team All District Team as a Wide Receiver and Kick Returner. In 2012 he was named to the 1st Team All-District Team as a Wide Receiver & Kick returner. The Ryan Cole Murphy Memorial Scholarship is designed to support a McNeil Football player who embodies the strong character and level of energy inspiring to others that reflected Ryan's life.

2020 Recipient:

Ethan Vacula, McNeil High School



Sean Kelley Memorial Scholarship (\$3,000)

Sean Kelley was an inclusion history teacher at Stony Point High School and coached Cross-Country and Tennis. He tragically passed away on December 2, 2016 after being struck by a vehicle. Upon hearing of the beloved coach's death, Stony Point students and teachers organized a memorial in honor of Kelley. Hundreds filled the Stony Point football stadium in honor of the man who touched so many lives. Mr. Kelley often spoke of his students to his mother and father and they are proud of his dedication to teaching and coaching. To honor their son, the Kelley family has created the Sean Kelley Memorial Scholarship designated to graduating seniors who attend Stony Point and plan to pursue higher education.

2020 Recipients:

Alina Ahmed, Stony Point High School

Tara Huynh, Stony Point High School



Susan C. Brown Memorial Scholarship (\$1,500)

Susan devoted 25 years to serving students, parents and teachers in Louisiana and Texas. She worked as a teacher, coach, assistant and associate principal, and Assistant Superintendent of Human Resource Services in Temple ISD and later Round Rock ISD. A fierce competitor, Susan was also generous to a fault. Her greatest joys in life were helping others and holding fast to her faith in God. Susan lost her battle to cancer in November 2011. The Susan C. Brown Memorial Scholarship honors female athletes who are dedicated to excellence in athletics, academics, and leadership.

2020 Recipients:

Juliana Murillo, Round Rock High School

Olivia Richert, Round Rock High School

Simone Sears, Cedar Ridge High School



#TeamJana Memorial Scholarship (\$1,000)

Giving back to the community was the core of Jana Almendarez's goal in life. After working at Old Town Elementary in Round Rock ISD, Jana became very active in the local community. On June 28, 2015, she was diagnosed with Stage IV brain cancer. After her diagnosis, the Round Rock community rallied around Jana by both supporting the family and raising awareness to the cause through the #TeamJana movement. She lost her courageous battle on May 14, 2016. One of Jana's very favorite things to do in life was watch her two boys play baseball. She loved her husband, sons and her entire family. To continue to honor Jana and the sport she loved so dearly, the Almendarez family awards the #TeamJana Memorial Scholarship to a graduating Round Rock Dragon baseball player, as well as, an additional scholarship to a graduating high school baseball or softball player in Round Rock ISD.

2020 Recipients:

Baseball: Jack Peterson, Round Rock High School

Softball: Lauren HerrNeckar, Round Rock High School



Tracy L. Gillies Memorial Scholarship (\$3,000)

Tracy Gillies was a warm, loving and dedicated wife, mother of two beautiful girls, and trusted friend to many. Tracy passed away in January of 2013 at the young age of 43, after a brief battle with brain cancer. Tracy served so many by volunteering in many different areas, most notably on the Round Rock ISD Bond Oversight Committee and the RRISD Council of PTAs. She devoted countless hours to making positive change and ensuring that people in need, particularly children, were taken care of. The Tracy L. Gillies Memorial Scholarship honors students who have shown a commitment to volunteering in their community and making a positive impact on those around them.

2020 Recipient:

Bailey Rubin, McNeil High School

HONORARY SCHOLARSHIPS



Aaron Williams Honorary Special Education Scholarship (\$1,000)

Aaron Williams was born in San Jose, Calif. but moved to Round Rock in 2001. After graduating from McNeil High School in 2008, Aaron attended the University of Texas on a football scholarship. In 2011, Aaron decided to leave college early to pursue a career in the NFL where he was drafted as the 34th overall pick by the Buffalo Bills. During Aaron's time at McNeil he grew to love animals, was active in Fellowship of Christian Athletes and Young Life and enjoyed visiting and mentoring many Round Rock ISD elementary and middle school students. The Aaron Williams Honorary Scholarship honors a student who receives special education services and wants to further their educational goals after leaving McNeil High School.

2020 Recipient:

Adhyayan Singh, McNeil High School

Jan Sartain Leader in Education Honorary Scholarship (\$1,500)



Jan Sartain was the Lead Teacher for Adapted Physical Education (APE) in the Round Rock Independent School District from 1992 - 2017. A graduate of the University of Missouri-Columbia, Jan began her teaching and coaching career in Missouri, first as an elementary physical education teacher, then as a high school physical education teacher/varsity coach at Rock Bridge High School in Columbia, MO. During her 25 years in Round Rock ISD as an APE Lead Teacher, the program has evolved to become one of the top programs in Texas under her leadership. During her tenure in Round Rock ISD, Jan created a legacy that will continue to benefit Round Rock ISD for years to come. The Jan Sartain Leader in Education Honorary Scholarship is awarded to students pursuing a career in education or allied health.

2020 Recipient:

Alexandria Cooper, Cedar Ridge High School



Ryan Kamalani Luke Honorary Scholarship (\$1,000)

Ryan Kamalani Luke is a Class of 2018 Stony Point graduate. With the exception of Round Rock ISD's (RRISD) Preschool Program for Children with Disabilities, as a student with significant disabilities receiving special education services, Kamalani was not routinely included in classes with his peers without disabilities. Through the support of his parents while Ryan was in middle and high school, he not only participated in Partners in PE and Special Olympics, he also participated in band, choir, science and other general education classes. Throughout his lifetime, Kamalani has contributed to or inspired social change for people with disabilities. This scholarship will honor Stony Point's Choir Program, RRISD Partners in PE program, and RRISD's Special Olympics Program. The Ryan Kamalani Luke Honorary Scholarship hopes to inspire the recipients to combine the success he or she achieved in high school with the pursuit of a career that creates social change, equity, fairness, justice, inclusion, or advancement for persons with disabilities or other vulnerable populations.

2020 Recipients:

Hannah Smith, Stony Point High School

William Kitchens, Stony Point High School

PARTNERSHIP SCHOLARSHIPS



Concordia University Texas Scholarship (\$2,000)

Concordia University Texas is a private, coeducational institution of liberal arts and sciences offering undergraduate and graduate degrees. Its mission is developing Christian leaders. The award is payable \$1,000 per term and is renewable for 8 consecutive long semesters provided the recipient maintains Concordia's Standard of Academic Progress.

2020 Recipients:

Adrian Tamayo, Round Rock High School

Emma Childs, Round Rock High School

Emmaly Rape, Round Rock High School

Jeffrey Ramirez, Cedar Ridge High School

Riley Clark, Cedar Ridge High School



Don Quick & Associates Honorary 50th Anniversary Education Scholarship (\$1,250)

Don Quick & Associates has been an accomplished leader in commercial real estate services over the last 50 years and is dedicated to fully giving back and serving the community. In 2020, Don Quick & Associates established a scholarship fund to support and recognize high school students who show the same dedication of service and commitment to the community. Don Quick & Associates, Inc. joined the 2019-2020 PIEF Scholarship Program with a commitment of four \$1,250 scholarships to be awarded to students who plan to pursue real estate or careers in business and who have also shown a commitment to their community.

2020 Recipients:

Ariel Neal, McNeil High School

Brandon Hanen, Round Rock High School

Grace Chen, Westwood High School

Vaidehi Phirke, Cedar Ridge High School



Feller Kanga Roof Construction Education Scholarship (\$1,000)

As one of the leading roofing companies in the area, Feller Kanga Roof has supported the community and non-profit organizations through Central Texas. In support of their commitment to education, Feller Kanga Roof is awarding three \$1,000 scholarships to graduating seniors who are planning to attend a Technical School to continue their education. These students must plan on studying and pursuing a career in the construction industry.

2020 Recipients:

Donovan Ramsey, Success High School

Marcos Merritt, Cedar Ridge High School

Ozzy Reyna, Round Rock High School



Gatti-Town Scholarship (\$1,000)

Over the years, Gatti-Town has continued to focus on supporting local students and families through financial and in-kind donations. From offering support to local youth sports teams to contributing numerous free meal vouchers to motivate student academic progress they have given back to the community where needed. In support of education and service to the community Gatti-town Scholarship was created to award and recognize a student who has shown leadership through volunteering and service to the community.

2020 Recipient:

Janssen Fang, McNeil High School



Hindu Charities for America Scholarship (\$1,000)

Founded in 2010 HC4A is a registered 501©3, Multicultural Non-Religious Charity. Its mission is to bridge income disparity through education in the US. This scholarship is designed to help support students with significant financial need who are committed to attend Austin Community College or any other local accredited professional school.

2020 Recipients:

Amanda Thompson, Round Rock High School

Cecilius Abrego, Success High School

Fiza Vora, McNeil High School

Hilario Bocanegra, McNeil High School

Jessica Gonzalez, Success High School

Success



Invest in Success Scholarship (\$1,000)

This scholarship is designated to a student attending Success High School and pursuing higher education at a Community College, Trade School or University. Students must be currently attending Success High School.

2020 Recipient:

Emily Burton, Success High School



Nolan Ryan Foundation Scholarship (\$5,000)

The Nolan Ryan Foundation is pitching in for a better future by promoting youth, education and community development. This scholarship is available to students graduating from a Round Rock ISD high school, who demonstrate a financial need, and are a first generation college attendee with at least a 3.0 GPA.

2020 Recipient:

Yukta Timsina, McNeil High School

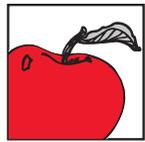


Round Rock High School Alumni Association Scholarship (\$1,000)

This scholarship is designated to a student attending Round Rock High School and is a legacy family member (Parent, Grandparent and/or Great Grandparent graduate of Round Rock High School).

2020 Recipient:

Caden Elizalde, Round Rock High School



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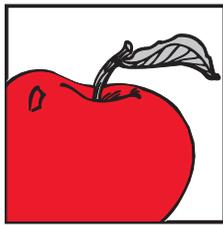
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