## **Rossmoor Clubs Helping the Rossmoor Scholarship Foundation**

Over the years numerous Rossmoor clubs and organizations have broadly supported the Foundation. "An important RAD goal is to educate and conduct events in Rossmoor to raise awareness about racism, diversity, equity and inclusion," notes RAD Co-President Aki Rasmussen. "We believe that everyone benefits from the existence of diversity in our communities, and we feel that the work of RAD and the Rossmoor Scholarship Foundation, which offers educational opportunities to deserving students from diverse backgrounds in Contra Costa County, supports this premise." The RAD Rocks Dance Party fundraising event held at the Rossmoor Event Center last July 21 enabled RAD to contribute \$1,300 to RSF, the second consecutive year RAD has done this.

The Chinese American Association of Rossmoor (CARR) also donates two add-ons in the name of Frank Wang, one of its revered but now deceased leaders. "Enjoying a good life in Rossmoor, past CAAR President Frank Wang proposed to do something for the community to show appreciation," says CAAR Scholarship Coordinator Sharon Fong. "CAAR established the Frank Wang Add-on Scholarship in 2016 to benefit students with great potential but limited financial resources. Regardless of ethnic background, students who have an interest in Chinese culture or improving the lives of Chinese American can apply."

The Rossmoor Rotary Foundation fully funds four \$3,500 scholarships per year to students showing interest and experience in public service. The Computer Club funds two add-on awards of \$2,500 each to community college students who will be studying for careers in a STEM field when they transfer to a four-year institution. Other Rossmoor club contributors include: the Democrats, the Republicans, the Ceramics Club, the Chamber Music Society, the Men's Golf Club, the Irish American Culture Club, the History & Culture Club, the Lawn Bowling Club, the Rossmoor Knitters and Crocheters (part of the Sewing Club of Rossmoor), and the Hope Lutheran Church Foundation.

RSF thanks all these clubs, and encourages other Rossmoor clubs and organizations to follow the example of these fine organizations and consider contributing to RSF this year. As Rossmoor News readers well know by now, every dollar donated goes into a scholarship, and like all those mentioned above, contributors will be helping to transform young lives by investing in their future.

Gifts can be made online through RSF's websites, <u>www.RossmoorScholarship.org</u>, or by mailing a check to P.O. Box 2056, Walnut Creek, CA. 94595.

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