

# Scaife Scholarship

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## President's Message

Dear Alumni,

This year we had the opportunity to say thank you to one of the most integral people of the Northern California Scholarship Foundation, Chery Hanna. Chery was more than just a welcoming, smiling face to NCSF—she was our respective mentor and consistent, patient voice responding to all of our varying requests throughout our schooling. From all of us at NCSF, thank you Chery!

College is a privilege. Pursuing our various fields of study, volunteering in our communities, building our social network, and working to pay for it all can be an arduous task. The support of the NCSF and the Alumni Association goes a long way in easing that burden as tuition costs continue to rise. If you feel compelled to offer a finan-

cial contribution to support our students as you grow in your career, we sincerely appreciate your generosity. If you have an interest in working with the Alumni Association, I invite you to contact me. We can always use innovative ideas on how to stay engaged with other alumni as we graduate and move up in our professional careers. It is important for us to see the relationships that we are building and continue to nurture them.

I continue to be grateful for the generosity of all of you and the impact that the NCSF has had in my life!

Blessings abound!

*John Lane*

## Financial Aid Officer's Report

The last two years were markedly different as we have continued our mission of assisting NCSF graduate and fifth year aid students. For the 2015–2016 academic year, we had fewer applicants than we usually do, allowing us to concentrate our assistance. This April, we found ourselves in a very different situation. NCSF fielded a normal number of applicants, but did not have enough donations to match the lev-

el of assistance given in past years. Luckily, the association set aside some savings for such a "rainy day." The Alumni Aid Committee and the Board of Directors conferred and decided to supplement the donations with a portion of the associations savings. This, of course, emphasizes the importance of remembering to support our alumni each year.

The alumni and fifth year aid applicants continued to be extremely impressive, and NCSF is very enthusiastic about supporting their continued education. The following individuals were selected to receive aid for the 2016–2017 academic year.

### Summary Of 2016-2017 Awards To Fifth Year And Graduate Students

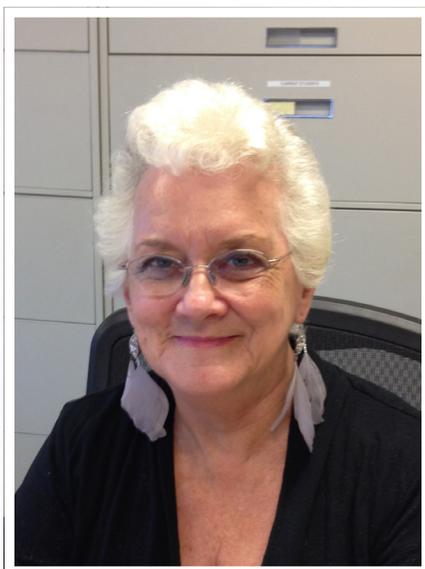
Fifth Year Aid (All \$1,000 One Year Grants)	Benjamin Recipients (All \$8,000 One Year Grants)	Non-Benjamin Graduate Aid (All \$1,000 Grants)
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Brianna Stocks</li> <li>2. Chris White</li> <li>3. Haley Gordon</li> <li>4. Joseph Grinstain</li> <li>5. Rosemary Nurse</li> <li>6. Stephanie Cantu</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Alina Andrade</li> <li>2. Ashley Higgins</li> <li>3. Ga (Monica) Rhee</li> <li>4. Hank Davis</li> <li>5. Madison Fesperman</li> <li>6. Samantha Trout</li> <li>7. Taylor Crouch</li> <li>8. Taylor Wright</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Amy Holland/Burkholder</li> <li>2. Hillary Kao</li> <li>3. Hua (Wenwen) Ni</li> <li>4. Justin Tonooka</li> <li>5. Mary Rose Swarts/Simonson</li> <li>6. Meredith Whittaker</li> <li>7. Sheila Sepehri</li> </ol>

We are very proud of this year's recipients and look forward to more applications next year. If you are interested, please remember

that the deadline is April 1st and applications will be available from the Alumni Association, [admin@ncsfalumni.org](mailto:admin@ncsfalumni.org), or from

NCSF, 1547 Lakeside Drive, Oakland, California 94612, phone (510) 451-1906.

## Advisor of the Year — Cheryl Hanna



I am delighted to announce that Cheryl Hanna is our 2016 NCSF Honoree. The Scaife Scholarship Alumni Association

honored Chery with an inscribed mantel clock at the Round Hill Country Club Banquet on October 19, 2016. Although never formally an advisor, Chery has been a consistently warm and helpful resource to hundreds of advisees, alumni and trustees since she began at NCSF in 2008, and has contributed significantly to the organization's welcoming culture.

Prior to joining NCSF, Chery had a tenured experience with masonry. Her husband was a Master Mason at the Crow Canyon Lodge before his passing, and it was during a meeting of the accompanying Ladies Club in August of 2008 that Chery was first introduced to NCSF. She worked at the Scottish Rite's Speech and Language Clinic for two years before being acquainted with NCSF, which shared the same back door en-

trance. Chery held her position at the clinic from 2006 to 2014, and her role at NCSF from 2008 to 2016. Throughout her eight years at NCSF, Chery believes it was the awesome students, advisors, trustees and alumni that made her work such a pleasure.

Now that she is retired, Chery plans to immediately relocate to live with one of her daughters in Fountain, Colorado. She is a mother of five, grandmother of 16, and great-grandmother of 13 who looks forward to spending her time traveling across the country to see her loved ones. From everyone here at the NCSF, we are all very lucky to have been warmed by Chery's humor, kindness and grace. We wish her wonderful times in the years ahead. Thank you, Chery!

## Treasurer's Report

The Alumni Association maintains an investment portfolio of various securities. A portion of our funds are held in cash/money market accounts to provide liquidity so that we can award scholarships to NCSF graduate and fifth year aid applicants. On an annual basis, the total amount of scholarships awarded exceeds the contributions received from our generous donors. Investment income from the portfolio funds the difference on an as needed basis. Otherwise, the funds are reinvested so our portfolio can continue to grow to support future generations of promising scholars.

The investment portfolio ended October at \$227,059, trading at levels since June that we have not seen for two years—which has recovered from the \$206,410 value as of December 31, 2015. In 2015, the invested funds generated about \$8,096 in

Total contributions in 2015	\$13,328
Number of contributions in 2015	49
Total contributions in 2016 (through November 15)	\$ 9,081
Number of contributions in 2016	28
Investment portfolio at December 31, 2015	\$206,410
Investment portfolio at October 31, 2016	\$ 227,059
Investment income as of October 31, 2016	\$6,698
Investment income in 2015	\$8,096

interest and dividend income. 2016 interest and dividend income through October 31 is \$6,698.

In 2015, we received 49 contributions totaling \$13,328 and averaging \$272. As of November 15, 2016, we have received \$9,081 through 28 contributions, averaging \$324. Based upon the contributions

received, \$15,500 of alumni scholarships were awarded for the 2016-2017 school year.

There is still time to make 2016 tax deductible contributions to help fund 2017-2018 alumni scholarships. See *How You Can Help?* below. Thank you for your support and Happy Holidays.

## Spring Social & Connecting Online

### Scaife Alumni Contact Database

The Scaife Alumni Scholarship Association would like your updated contact information to keep you informed. Please go to: <http://tinyurl.com/scaife-db> to enter you contact information into our database. Please enter an email which you will retain after graduation from your college/university. Your email will be added into our mailing list (scaife-scholarship-alumni-association@googlegroups.com via Google Groups).

### LinkedIn Group

Please also join our LinkedIn Group, by sending an email to admin@ncsfalumni.org and we will send you an invitation. Membership in the alumni group is by invitation only and is restricted to alumni. We hope to grow the group so that we can all build our professional networks and share our stories. Once you are a member, please visit the discussion board and share what you are interested in and what you would like to see from the Alumni Association.

### Spring Social

We would also like to announce the Scaife Alumni Scholarship Association Spring Social. The Spring Social will be a place for NCSF Alumni to network and get to know one another, while also providing opportunities for alumni to become an Advisor for the NCSF Scholarship Students, and promote the Alumni Scholarship for 5th year and graduate school support. The event will take place Saturday March 4, 2017 at 6pm. Please rank your venue choices to help decide the final location for the Spring Social. Click here to RSVP: <http://tinyurl.com/scaife-spr17>.

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## How You Can Help?

For those of you who are able, a contribution to our scholarship efforts would be most appreciated. Due to out-of-state solicitation registration requirements, we can only accept gifts from California at this time. In the past, alumni have suggested the following schedule for contributions:

One year	\$25
Up to 10 years	\$50
10-20 years	\$125
20-25 years	\$250
25 years+	\$300

Your contributions are tax deductible per IRS#94-6104364 and should be made payable to the

Scaife Scholarship Alumni Association, Inc.  
c/o Alana Maxwell  
2388 Callender Rd., Arroyo Grande, CA 93420.

Historically, the recommended sums have been modest. People have contributed at levels that we hope have been comfortable. Please do what you can.

If you have never contributed, consider starting small. If you cannot contribute, please consider working with the alumni association to improve our newsletter, website, and activities or—if possible—serving as a networking resource for employment and career development.