



Grad-Time Herald

THANK YOU TO ALL OF OUR SUPPORTERS!

REMEMBERING ROBERT “BOB” DOLLEY



Robert Dolley was born on October 8, 1936, in Los Angeles, California. He graduated from Hollywood High School and obtained his college degree from USC. Immediately after graduation from high school Bob purchased his first property, a plot of land which to this day he still owns. Bob never believed in selling anything; so, his investment portfolio continued to grow with the purchase of many properties through the years.

In 1966 Bob Dolley met the love of his life Mary Ann. She happened to live in one of his apartment buildings with her 3 sons. Together with his 3 sons, they united both families and married in 1970. Finally, Mary Ann felt that her struggles where over with raising 3 boys on her own. But not Bob. He wanted to invest in properties so that when they be-

came older, they could live comfortably. Mary Ann was left with the task of raising 6 boys while Bob managed his investments.

Bob and Mary Ann were introduced to TDFS in 2015 by Linda Ladd. He felt strongly about the education of our youth especially in Tustin as their children had graduated from Tustin and Foothill High Schools. Bob and Mary Ann attended many of our fundraisers and home gatherings where he would love to tell stories of his youth surrounded by our members. At one of our home gatherings he had the opportunity of meeting one of our recipients Juan Avila. Bob was so taken by Juan's story of possibly being the first in his family to graduate from college. Juan has continued to realize his educational dream through serving in the National Guard. Bob readily became an advocate and supporter of our scholarship program.

Bob was ill with a lung disease that he never divulged to Mary Ann until a few weeks before his passing. He did not want her to worry. Bob fought his disease valiantly until he succumbed on August 21, 2018, surrounded by his family. Tustin Dollars for Scholars would like to thank the Robert Dolley family for allowing us to be the benefactors of donations made in his memory. Bless you, Bob. You will be missed.

TDFS FACTS TO KNOW...

- TDFS HAS AWARDED \$5,000 ISCHOLARSHIPS SINCE 1998.
- TDFS IS AN OFFICIAL CHARTER OF SCHOLARSHIP AMERICA .
- TDFS IS AN ALL-VOLUNTEER NONPROFIT.
- ALL PROFITS FROM ALL EVENTS GO TO FUND SCHOLARSHIPS.
- SCHOLARSHIPS ARE AWARDED TO GRADUATING SENIORS FROM TUSD HIGH SCHOOLS.

DON BERKHEIMER HONORED WITH VERA CRAWFORD



Longtime friend, supporter, and volunteer extraordinaire, Don Berkheimer, is the recipient of this year's Vera Crawford Award from last year's winner, Linda Ladd. This award may, or may not, be awarded annually to a community member who best exemplifies the spirit of volunteering to the organization without regard to self or seeking recognition. Don has been seen each year from the first year of TDFS's Original Kentucky Derby Day event setting up the technology and video systems so that guests could watch the actual Kentucky Derby as it occurred before TDFS began its own races. Mr. Berkheimer has been an avid supporter of Concerts in the Park and has helped out at each of the major fundraising events. He is the father of two adult children and husband of his lovely wife, Tammiss. TDFS thanks Don for his dedication and selflessness!

Installation of 2019 TDFS Board of Directors



Using the theme that diversity makes an organization richer, Past President Linda Ladd installed the TDFS 2019 Board of Directors with wisdom and humor. Linda awarded each of the incoming officers with her own individual box of "cereal" to demonstrate how differences do help make an organization rich with new ideas and unique perspectives. No organization survives without new ideas and a variety of viewpoints. This diversity makes a group stronger and not so complacent to repeat past activities without sharing different perspectives. We will let you look at the picture to see who received the following brands:

Apple Jacks, Cinnamon Toast Crunch, Trix, Honey Nut Cheerios, Lucky Charms, and Raisin Bran.

Past President Ladd's installation ceremony and words of advice were most reassuring that evening. We thank you, Linda, for your leadership in TDFS! Renewing President Pat Machado thanked the 2018 Board with tokens of appreciation. TDFS still has room in its new Board for two more members as First Vice President and VP of Scholarship. If you are interested in joining TDFS as a member or as a potential new Board member, or helping with a specific event, we welcome you to please contact us by using the information on the back page of this newsletter.

TDFS Board of Directors: Dr. Pat Machado, President; Claudia Flint, V.P.; Laura Valencia, V.P. Scholarship; Lori Spiak; V.P. Membership; Tammiss Berkheimer, Treasurer; Jane Norman, Recording Secretary; Adele Heuer, Corresponding Secretary; Mary Hegardt, Parliamentarian; Linda Ladd, Past President

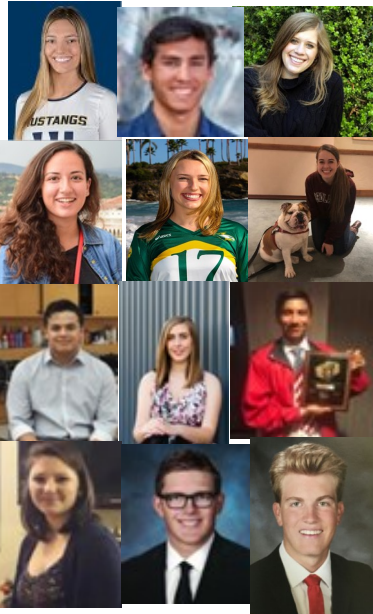
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SCHOLARS HONORING THE LEGACY OF TDFS

Current TDFS Scholars

Juan Avila Jr.
Tustin High
Stone Bodini
Foothill High
Emma Braden
Foothill High
Laura Braden
Foothill High
Sean Ewing
Beckman High
Darren Gerchick
Beckman High
Marissa Gerchick
Beckman High
Daniel Lopez
Tustin High
Jose David Lujan
Beckman High
Claire Norman
Foothill High
Grace Norman
Foothill High
Riley Prendergast
Beckman High
Austin Stark
Foothill High
Isabelle Yardumian
Tustin High



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AJ STARK

I attended Foothill High School all four years, playing football for two years and baseball for four years. I was a captain of the varsity baseball team. I was involved in Knights in Progress, a mentor program for incoming freshman who struggle socially and academically. I was also active in Foothill CSF, Boys Community Service League of Tustin, and Down Syndrome Foundation of Orange County. Now I am studying Chemical Engineering at the University of California, Berkeley. The Tustin Dollars for Scholars scholarship greatly helps my family and me pay for my college tuition, allowing me to focus more on my degree. Thank you to everyone involved in this important scholarship program.

DARREN GERCHICK

This year, I will start my college education at UCLA. I will be majoring in economics with plans to explore further engagement in computer science. This summer I have mainly been spending my time preparing for the major life change I will be enduring next year, while treasuring the gradually diminishing time I have at home with my friends and family - the most important part of my life right now. This scholarship means so much to me as I view it as a symbol of the faith and support TDFS and my loved ones have for me. Further, I value this scholarship as a vital stepping stone as I attempt to forge a new path of happiness, success, and well being both for myself and those around me.

GRACE NORMAN

I have decided to major in Communicative Disorders and Sciences and this next term I will take more major level courses.

As a freshman, I took Rereading Fairy tales as my seminar class and this year I will be the peer advisor for the incoming freshmen in that class. I will continue to work in the school of business at the same job I had last year and I am excited to work there again. Also, I became more involved with National Student Speech Hearing Language Association (NSSLHA) and will serve as the Vice President this year. Thanks again for all of your support and I am very lucky to be surrounded by such lovely ladies.

DANIEL LOPEZ

I have been enjoying my summer with family and friends. I was volunteering at my church on Sundays taking care of children under the age of 3. I plan to join some clubs at school and meet new people who are striving to be the best they can be. I just want to take the time to express the amount of joy this organization has brought to my family and me. I am so grateful for this amazing opportunity to represent the Dollars For Scholars organization through my school endeavors. This scholarship has brought motivation into my life.

MARISSA GERCHICK

Marissa is about to begin her junior year at Stanford University majoring in Mathematical and Computational Science (MCS) and minoring in Political Science. She hopes to apply her technical studies to pressing policy problems in the realm of criminal justice and beyond. She spent the summer of 2018 working as a Software and Product Development Intern with a Political Technology company in Palo Alto, California. She continues to play lacrosse on the Stanford Women's Club Lacrosse team, is a member of the Delta Delta Delta sorority at Stanford, and volun-

teers teaching computer science to girls at a local juvenile hall. Marissa is very appreciative of the support and guidance that the Tustin Dollars for Scholars community has given to her and looks forward to continuing involvement with TDSF.

CLAIRE NORMAN

I am in my last year at Chapman University, and will be finishing my degrees in Political Science and Peace Studies. This year I will continue to work as a student research assistant, as well as continue my involvement on Chapman's Model United Nations team. Additionally, I am applying to law school for next year, hoping to attend one of the many wonderful schools in California. Thank you, TDFS, for all your support!!

ISABELLE YARDUMIAN

Isabelle has moved into her dorms at Cal State Long Beach and is ready to pursue her education in biochemistry! She spent her summer reading, road tripping, and river rafting, and is so excited to start her new college career! The Tustin Dollars for Scholars Program has helped her afford her tuition and has provided her with new friends and extra support that she needed in order to know that college is something that she could handle, and she is incredibly grateful!

**New Scholars,
please read this im-
portant announce-
ment:**

**REMEMBER THE
WINDOW TO
APPLY FOR THE
2019 TDFS SCHOL-
AR SHIP IS Monday,
January 7 to Friday,
February 22, 2019.**

SCHOLARS HONORING THE LEGACY OF TDFS

SEAN EWING

Hello everyone! I am still a Political Science major and I am still pursuing my teaching credential alongside my bachelor's degree. This coming fall semester will be my final semester as an undergraduate at USD, however I will be staying at USD through the spring to finish up my teaching credential. This summer and continuing through the school year, I am working at the County of San Diego in the Land Use and Environment Department. It has been really cool work and is giving me a lot of practical applications and experience. Currently, I am looking to apply to graduate school for a possible doctorate in Political Science, or possibly teaching after graduation. I'd like to also say a heartfelt thanks to all of you at TDFS! Thank you

for your continued support, it means to the world to me and my family!

RILEY PRENDERGAST

While I have anxiously waited for the start of school. I went on my own adventure in Europe, traveling to Germany, France, Switzerland, and England. I had the chance to learn languages, customs, histories, and life skills. When I came back home, I spent a lot of time with family, especially my sister. I also went to some of the Tustin concerts in the park. I missed the final concert (the best one too) because I was across the Atlantic. That means I absolutely have to come to next year's DSB concert.

LAUREN BRADEN

I am a junior this year at Concordia University as an elementary education major with an emphasis in childhood development. I play NCAA Division 2 volleyball. I am the Captain. I was chosen to be on the Student Athlete Advisory Committee as Secretary. I have been volunteering my time through Concordia Shares, a service project group on campus that gives back to the community through philanthropy and service. I am starting to take all of my upper division classes for education which requires me to student teach at elementary schools. I am so thankful and honored to have been chosen as a TDFS recipient.

STONE BODINI

I am at the University of Arizona in a double major in business

and computer science. I am juggling my course load and am our fraternity's social chair. I am learning time management and spend many hours in the library. In summer I took gen ed courses to decrease my work load and earn credits towards my major. I am applying to our business school, Eller, and want to ensure that I keep my academic scholarship from the UofA. Without both my academic scholarship and the scholarship gifted to me through Tustin Dollars for Scholars I would be unable to attend my dream school. I am thankful for all those involved with the community that help make it a better place, and to help kids obtain their dreams when it seems out of reach.

MANY PATHS TO HIGHER EDUCATION

Article courtesy of Scholarship America

According to the Georgetown University Center on Education and the Workforce, by 2020, sixty-five percent of all jobs will require some form of post-secondary education. This means scholarship dollars will continue to be a demand. Therefore, it is vital to understand who the students are in your community that are pursuing higher education, and the path they are taking to achieve it.

At one time, attending a traditional two- or four-year institution after graduating from high school was considered the only on-ramp to a successful career. Now, both necessity and additional options play more of a role in when and how students access higher education, and the path is now as varied and diverse as the students pursuing it.

In addition to the brick and mortar two-year community colleges and four-year universities, students can take classes online or attend exclusively online institu-

tions. There are the technical colleges, internships, and apprenticeship programs where students gain hands-on experience in their field of interest, and some institutions also offer accelerated, two and three-year, degree programs. Not to mention, some students decide to enlist in the military and engage in training programs, while serving their country.

Though the majority of students choose to pursue a form of higher education immediately following high school, a growing number of students are electing to take a gap year. Research shows that twenty-five percent of students take a year off before starting school. While taking a gap year can be beneficial for some students as a time of self-discovery, traveling abroad, or volunteering; for others, delayed entry to college is purely out of the necessity to work and save more money for school.

According to the National Center for Education Statistics, more students are taking six years to complete a traditional four year degree program. Student loan debt is increasing as well, with the total outstanding debt at \$1.52 trillion, and the average 2017 graduate owing \$28,288, up from \$27,975 in 2016. Average student loan debt statistics by state and by school are available from LendEdu.

REMEMBER THE DEADLINE TO APPLY FOR THE 2019 TDFS SCHOLARSHIP IS FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2019.

Today's Students:

- 1 in 5 is at least 30 years old
- About half are financially independent from parents
- 1 in 4 is caring for a child
- 47% go to school part-time
- A quarter take a year off before starting school
- 2 out of 5 attend a two-year community college
- 44% have parents who never completed a bachelor's degree

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SAVE THESE DATES

Feb. 22nd - Scholarship Apps due

Feb. 8th - Fondue Party

Mar. 8th - Potato Party

May 4 - TDFS Original Derby Day

**June 12 - July 31:
Wednesdays
Concerts in the Park**

July 20th - Summer Social

September - Board Elections

November - Installation Dinner

Dec. 7th - Holiday Party & Gift Exchange

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

DR. PATRICIA BAIN MACHADO



As we look back on 2018, there are so many wonderful friends to thank for a successful fundraising year. TDFS has many supporters financially and physically. I am amazed at how lucky our organization is when it puts out the word that help is needed for our fundraising events. We get scholars and their families, high school students, friends and their family members who come out and set up, organize, and clean up. Words cannot thank you enough. To the Tustin non-profits who have supported TDFS, we sincerely thank you! We understand that we compete for the same dollars, solicit the same businesses, and ask for participation. To our sponsors, local and outside of the Tustin area, your contributions have helped us to offer more to those who attend our events. Thank you! Lastly, to the TDFS Board of Directors, the TDFS membership, we are so grateful for your dedication and commitment to our goal of offering renewable four-year scholarships to deserving TUSD graduates. We know that we would like to offer more scholarships each year, but we are realistic in our goals to help those to whom we offer monetary support and academic coaching. TDFS thanks all of you and wishes everyone a blessed Holiday Season and the most Prosperous New Year 2019.

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