

LA POSADA
SCHOLARSHIP YEARBOOK



2022



Joni Condit

President and CEO

Dear Residents, Scholarship Recipients, Staff, and Families,

One of the remarkable campus traditions that began two decades ago is the La Posada scholarship program. Resident Wendell Bowers set the stage by establishing an endowment which continues today, with the earnings given away each year to a worthy employee. Since then the scholarship program has steadily grown each year. Other residents have established endowments and many residents have given each year to our general scholarship fund. Our residents have generously helped many employees over the years to pursue post-secondary education, with many earning associate, baccalaureate, and even graduate degrees.

Donors are the lifeblood of any scholarship program. These donations can change the path of students' lives, whether the award given enables them to go to college, or helps them to gain skills necessary to advance in their careers. The gift of an education is a gift for a lifetime. We thank each of you who has given of your time and money to help our employees continue their education.

During the past two years, in spite of the COVID pandemic, our residents have continued to support the scholarship program, unselfishly helping staff pursue their dreams and advance in their careers. Because we couldn't gather as usual, Director of Philanthropy Dawn Martz created a yearbook featuring the employees who were the beneficiaries of our residents' generous scholarship donations and endowments. Residents, staff, and their families enjoyed seeing the photo and information about each recipient and thus, a new tradition was born. I think you will enjoy this year's yearbook too.

Congratulations to this year's scholarship recipients. We are proud of you and applaud your commitment to furthering your education. Our residents, management, and your families are also proud of your efforts to grow and learn. Those who have donated to your scholarship have invested in your future and share the belief that a better educated person will be a better citizen.

Warmest Regards,

Joni

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President and CEO

La Posada

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Assistant



Posada Life Foundation & Scholarship Staff

On the first day of employment at La Posada, virtually every member of our team hears a commitment that this will be 'the best place you will ever work.' This generous scholarship program, providing support and opportunity, is available to all eligible La Posada staff, and represents a living example of that commitment. Since 2009 over \$1.5 million dollars has been awarded out.

Here at Posada Life Foundation, we consider it an honor to administer the La Posada Scholarship Program.

Thank you for your steadfast support and generous donations.

If you would like to donate the scholarship program, checks can be made payable to **Posada Life Foundation** and returned in the enclosed envelope. All gifts to the Foundation are tax deductible.

2021 Regular Scholarships Disbursed

\$43,651.00

Total of 44 Recipients

Regular Scholarship

Regular scholarships are available to all La Posada employees. An employee may receive up to \$2,500 per academic year to pursue their education and training. There is a \$5,000 lifetime limit for regular scholarship awards per person.

To be eligible, an employee must have worked for La Posada for at least six months, be in good standing and demonstrate satisfactory academic progress for continued financial support.

2022 High School Scholarships Awarded

\$8,100.00

Total of 10 Recipients

High School Scholarship

To help high school employees begin their higher education journey, the Scholarship Program provides scholarships to qualified high school graduating seniors.

To be eligible for a scholarship between \$500 and \$1,000, the student must have been employed for a minimum of six months before graduating. The amount of scholarship award is based on their tenure.

Applicants must be in good standing with La Posada.

2022 Endowment Awards

\$104,690.00

Total of 27 Recipients

Endowments

The Foundation established the Wendell Bowers Endowment with the transfer of \$30,000 from the current Regular Scholarship Fund in 2006.

Donors who gift \$25,000 or more for a Scholarship under the Bowers endowment may name the gift in memory or honor of a special person.

A maximum of 5% of earnings will be awarded each year, thus ensuring the original donation will be held in perpetuity.





Frank & Harriet Ayer Endowment

Frank and Harriet Ayer have always believed in paying it forward. What better way to pay it forward than to the caring, enthusiastic employees who make living at La Posada so enjoyable.



Bash Family Memorial In Honor of Paul Bash

When World War II broke out, Paul and his three brothers enlisted in the Armed Services. All four brothers went on to further their education by using their benefits from the GI Bill. The Bash family realized the importance of college education, and wanted to assist La Posada employees to pursue their education.

This endowment is in honor of Paul Bash.



Ruth Benson Endowment

As a child, Ruth Benson was surrounded by books and music, and by parents who fostered curiosity and a love for learning. In the depths of the Great Depression, her father and mother made certain Ruth could attend college. Following her graduation, Ruth became a high school teacher. During the 20 years she lived at La Posada, Ruth supported the employee scholarship fund because she believed in the power of education, and deeply appreciated the many services provided by the talented young people she met at La Posada.

This scholarship was established in May 2020, when Ruth passed away at 104.



Wendell Bowers Endowment

Wendell was passionate about service to others and also valued the importance of education. Upon moving to La Posada, he immediately started working to establish a scholarship program for the employees to further their education. As the program grew and developed, it received local, state, and national recognition. In 2004, Wendell received the Volunteer of the Year award from AZAHA, a state association working on behalf of those serving seniors in Arizona. In 2006, he was honored with the National Community Champion Award from the National Association of Area Agencies on Aging.

This endowment has been established in his name.



Betty "Bee" Burtis Endowment

Bee Burtis resided at La Posada from 1999 until her passing in 2004. She always enjoyed the dining experience at La Posada and became interested in the young careers of many of the servers and cooks. As a result of her interest, Bee's son Andy, a master chef, established an annual scholarship in memory of his mother.

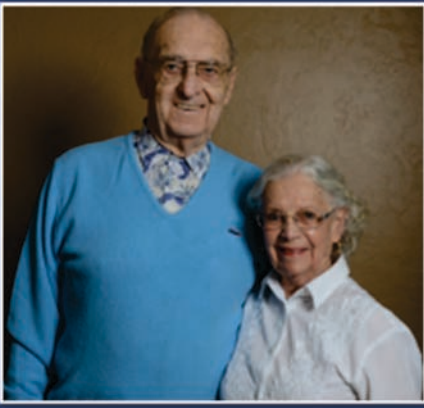
This scholarship is to be awarded to Dining Services staff.



Robert W. Dalrymple & Marya Giesy Dalrymple Endowment

In establishing this scholarship, Marya Giesy Dalrymple stated:

"It is indeed a fitting privilege to invest in the future of our fine employees here at La Posada who have served us so faithfully and well. This scholarship was created as a living memorial to the nine happy and beautiful years Bob and I shared after each of us had lost our beloved spouses of many years. May this scholarship bring opportunities to the recipients equal to the joy we shared."



Jim & Jean Davis Endowment for Skilled Training

Jim and Jean recognized the need to encourage the pursuit of skilled or technical positions. They understand that there are many career options available that do not require a four-year degree.

Jim and Jean wanted to assist employees to learn the necessary skill set to be successful in any skilled trades or technical positions requiring extra training or education.



William Ehinger Memorial Endowment

Will had a larger-than-life personality that his wife Louise wanted to honor after his passing, to do so she established this memorial scholarship.



Keith & Helen Fenner Endowment

In establishing this endowment Helen Fenner said:

"First of all, I am so thankful to be living at La Posada! When I was young, I remember getting help from people before I got into trouble. I told myself that if I had an opportunity to pay back in some small way, then I'm going to do it. So now is payback time!" - Helen Fenner

Helen was a resident at La Posada from 2004 until her passing in 2018.



Marie Garner Endowment

"The staff and caregivers of La Joya Assisted Living made Marie's last years a gracious reality and I will be forever grateful for the exceptional care and consideration she received. My warmest regard and thanks to the individuals and for your organization for your care of Marie. I hope that this gift from Marie can forward the intent and excellent work of La Posada. It is given specifically to La Joya Assisted Living to be used for continuing education and development of La Joya staff."

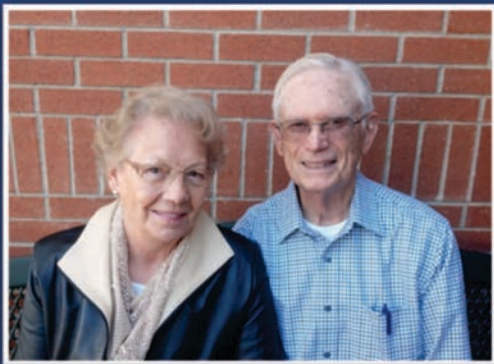
- Caroline Dobler (Marie's daughter)



John & Jean Guion Endowment

John and Jean Guion moved to La Posada in 2003. John was a successful businessman who also served his community in numerous roles such as vice mayor, fire department chief and served on the board of a senior living community like La Posada.

John and Jean believed in the future of La Posada and its employees; one of many reasons they establish this scholarship.



Donnie & Winnie Kruper Endowment

We have made a contribution to the Posada Life Foundation Scholarship Fund because we appreciate the outstanding environment that is provided by La Posada to both residents and employees.

We believe that the Scholarship Fund has immense value. When one looks at how many of our employees have received aid over the years one can't help but be amazed. Residents are familiar with the wide range of paths that employees choose. They have been helped to reach goals that they had set for themselves.

Lastly, we believe that having happy, satisfied employees will be an outcome desired by both the residents and the management.

These comments are based on the more than 5 happy years of our residence in La Posada.

- Don and Winnie Kruper



Betty Luce Endowment

Betty Luce was generous to La Posada while a resident and made sure to leave a legacy when she was gone. Betty felt there was a great need for trained people in the medical field, so she established this scholarship from her estate.

Its purpose is to provide support to employees pursuing training in the medical field.



Dave & Donna Mathews Endowment

Dave & Donna Mathews moved into La Posada in 2006. Dave was an educator and loved talking about education to our staff whenever he could. He was known for his “books” and life time stories.



Willard & Marian Nyquist Endowment

Willard and Marian made numerous contributions to the Posada Life Foundation in support of their varied interests while living at La Posada.

One of those interests was the Scholarship Program. Willard and Marian were married for over 70 years an achievement of which they were most proud of.

May this endowment award last as long as their happy marriage.



Ann & Harry Paxton Endowment

Harry Paxton was educated in Manchester (B.Sc. M. Sc.) and Birmingham (Ph.D.) England. He met Ann (born and raised in Norwich) in Birmingham. They came to the U.S. for Harry to join the faculty at Carnegie Mellon University. Harry was an officer with U.S. Steel as well as a professor at Carnegie Mellon.

Ann received a BFA from Carnegie Mellon. She is a highly skilled artist and has exhibited at CPAC, where Harry was chair for several years. They traveled extensively internationally for both business and pleasure.

Education is very important to the Paxtons and wish to help the employees of La Posada achieve their educational goals.



Adrienne P. Reep Memorial Endowment

Adrienne was a life-long proponent of pursuing one's dream. Following two years at Florida State University, she married Dudley Reep and put her dream of a degree on hold. Twenty years later she resumed her pursuit and ten years after that graduated with honors from Jacksonville University. Education was VERY important to Adrienne. She persevered until she achieved her degree.

"May we all, young and old, continue to pursue our dreams."

- Adrienne P. Reep



Schloff / Miller Endowment

This Scholarship was established because the donors believe education is important. They were impressed by the number of the employees who wanted to continue their education.

They remarked, "We are happy we were able to help!"



Alfred E. & Grace E. Schmeiser Endowment

Grace E. Schmeiser was known for her elegance, infectious smile, and compassionate spirit. During her lifetime, Grace's philanthropic giving increase access to healthcare technology and provided new economic opportunities through higher education.

Grace was born on July 7, 1924, in Indianapolis, Indiana, and received her Associate Degree in Library Science in 1944. While working as a librarian at Notre Dame University, she met Alfred Schmeiser, who she married in 1946. Al graduated in 1950 with a double major in chemical and mechanical engineering. His successful career culminated with General Tire Company, where he was vice president of the chemical division.

The Schmeisers were blessed with two children, a son and daughter, who died in separate tragic events as young adults. Through organ donation, they helped countless others around the country. "They carried on and live through other people." Grace Said.

Upon retirement, Al and Grace followed their passion for golf and moved to Green Valley, Arizona. Grace was also an avid bridge player and belonged to Desert Hills Country Club and Green Valley Country Club where she enjoyed many social gatherings with friends. After Alfred's passing in 2005, Grace moved to La Posada in Green Valley.

In addition to supporting the Community Foundation, Grace wanted to show her appreciation to the staff at La Posada and created the Alfred and Grace Schmeiser Scholarship Endowment for La Posada employees. Grace was a significant donor to Notre Dame University and the Salvation Army. She also funded the Al and Grace Schmeiser Angiography Suite at Carondelet St. Joseph's Hospital.

Grace passed away peacefully at her home on December 9, 2020. Her generosity and commitment to helping those in need will continue in perpetuity.

Over the course of her long life, Grace determined that her legacy would be best served by providing unrestricted, endowed support.



Donald & Mary Shropshire Endowment

Don and Mary Ruth Shropshire hold a special place in the hearts of the La Posada team and in the history of La Posada and Green Valley.

Without Don, La Posada, as we know it today, would not exist to serve the Green Valley community.

He served on the La Posada Board of Trustees as first Board Chair in 1997, with service until his Emeritus status in 2015.



Allen J. Tozier Endowment

Allen's wife Bonnie established this unrestricted scholarship in memory of Allen, whose parents lived at La Posada for many years.



Hank Van Veen Endowment

Hank was born in Amsterdam, Holland in 1929, the year of the stock market crash and the beginning of the worldwide "Great Depression." His father was a carpenter and his mother was a sales clerk in a clothing store. Both believed in the high value of education and decided they could afford to raise and educate only one child, and that was Hank.

"My language and trading education stood me in good stead and I had a very successful career with Cargill Incorporated, trading commodities internationally and managing the world's largest soybean processing business. I traveled the world in search of oilseed processing investment opportunities. By the time I retired at age 60, I was an executive vice president in charge of a business group that operated 40 processing plants in the United States and 8 foreign countries, employing 4,000 people. After my retirement, I spent the next 4 years getting a degree from the University of Minnesota majoring in International Business. That goes to show what education and hard work can do for you.

I started looking for opportunities to help others get their education and the La Posada Scholarship Fund was the ideal solution. It gives me great pleasure to be able to do this, but there are two things I would like to ask of you:

First, work hard to get all you can out of your scholarship money. It will pay off in the long run. Secondly, sometime in the future, look for an opportunity to pass it forward."

-Hank Van Veen

Congratulations Scholarship Recipients!

SAHRA ALLISON
Admin. Assistant
La Joya



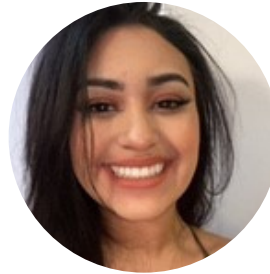
Regular Scholarship

AMAYA BARNES
Server
La Perla



Bowers

HEIDI BARRERAS
Med. Tech
La Hacienda



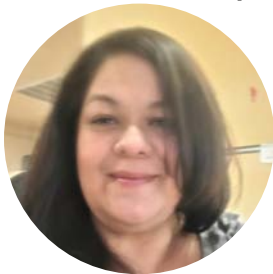
Bowers, Dalrymple,
& Ehinger

AILEEN BELTRAN
Companion Caregiver
LP Campus



Schmeiser

ELAINE BENSON
Service Center
Assoc. LP Campus



Regular Scholarship

ANGELA CALVILLO
Server
La Perla



Schmeiser

KAMBRIA CASH
Barista
Java



Ehinger & Schmeiser
Regular Scholarship

KAYLIANA CASH
Server
La Perla



Schmeiser
HS Scholarship

MUHAMED CASORLA
Server
La Hacienda



Mathews

RUBEN CASTILLO
Sever
La Joya



Guion
Regular Scholarship

MAYELA CHAVEZ
Assistant Director
Los Niños Del Valle



Regular Scholarship

CAROLINA CORELLA
Server
La Perla



Van Veen

Congratulations Scholarship Recipients!

KARLA CORELLA-VELARDE
Server
La Perla



Regular Scholarship

ISAIAH DEL TORO
Server Lead
La Perla



Regular Scholarship

KASSANDRA DELGADO
Server
La Perla



Regular Scholarship

SASHA DIAZ
Server
La Vista



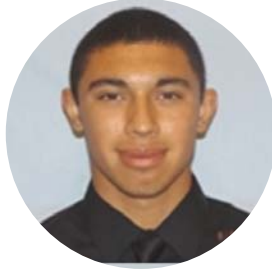
Regular Scholarship

DANIEL DUCOTE
Remodel Apprentice
LP Campus



Regular Scholarship

AUSTIN ELENEZ
Catering
LP Campus



Regular Scholarship

KAITLYN ELLIS
Server
La Perla



HS Scholarship

CATALINA GARCIA
Med. Tech
La Joya



Bash & Garner

THELMA GONZALES
Med. Tech
La Joya



Tozier & Van Veen

JUSTIN GOOD
IT SYS Tech
LP Campus



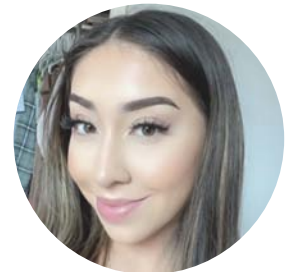
Davis & Ehinger

OMAR GRANADOS, JR.
Server
La Perla



Regular Scholarship

ANDREA HERRERA
Server
La Perla



HS Scholarship

Congratulations Scholarship Recipients!

MCKENZIE HOLIDAY
Server
La Perla



HS Scholarship

LORELEI KALE
Server
La Vista



Regular Scholarship

MARTHAELISA LEON
Server
La Via



Schmeiser & Shropshire
Regular Scholarship

BRANDON LEWIS
Server
La Perla



Regular Scholarship

COLLIN LEWIS
Server
La Perla



Regular Scholarship

TRISTAN LEWIS
Server
La Perla



Regular Scholarship

BENJAMIN LOPEZ
Server
La Perla



Regular Scholarship

MARIAELENA LOPEZ-RUBIO
HR Specialist
LP Campus



Benson & Nyquist
Regular Scholarship

MARIA MALDONADO
Server
La Hacienda



Burtis & Tozier
Regular Scholarship

RICARDO MANRIQUEZ
Server
La Joya



Regular Scholarship

JOANNA MARTINEZ
Barista
Java



Regular Scholarship

NATALIA MARTINEZ
Med. Tech Lead
La Hacienda



Bowers, Fenner &
Kruper

Congratulations Scholarship Recipients!

DAWN MARTZ

Director of
Philanthropy
LP Campus



Regular Scholarship

ANDREA METCALF

Asst. Director
Facility Grounds
LP Campus



Mathews

GRACE MILLET

Server
La Perla



Bowers
HS Scholarship

HOPE MOHRLAND

Server
La Perla



Regular Scholarship

LORREN MORALES

Server
La Joya



HS Scholarship

ORLANDO NAVARRO

Server
La Vista



Bowers
Regular Scholarship

AMANDA PENALOZA

Med. Tech
La Joya



Regular Scholarship

ZOE PIEDMONT

Server
La Joya



HS Scholarship

CLARISA QUEZADA

Server
La Joya



Schmeiser
Regular Scholarship

CALISTA RADOVICH

Server
La Perla



Paxton & Schmeiser

VICTORIA REEDY

Server
La Joya



Regular Scholarship

MEGAN REESE

Server
La Perla



Van Veen
HS Scholarship

Congratulations Scholarship Recipients!

KATELYN RICENBAW

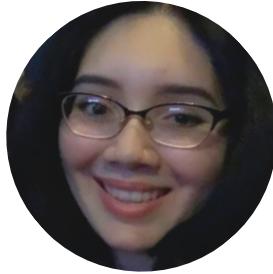
Server
La Perla



Regular Scholarship

ESTEFANIA ROBLES

Server
La Joya



Davis

ASHTEN ROTH

Barista
Java



Ayer

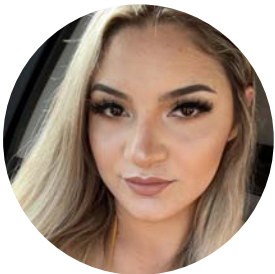
FRIDA RUIZ

Teacher Aide
Los Niños del Valle



Reep
Regular Scholarship

PERLA SAENZ
Housekeeper
La Vista



Regular Scholarship

ASHLEY SANCHEZ
Barista
Java



Regular Scholarship

LUCAS SANCHEZ
Server
La Joya



Regular Scholarship

ADDISON SANORA
Server
La Perla



HS Scholarship

ANDREA SMITH
Barista Lead
Java



Regular Scholarship

BRONDA SMITH
Settling In
LP Campus



Regular Scholarship

DAMARIS SOLIS
Med. Tech
La Via



Regular Scholarship

CAROLINA SOTO
Barista
Java



Mathews

Congratulations Scholarship Recipients!

CARLOS THURMAN

Server
La Joya



Regular Scholarship

HECTOR TORRES

Server
La Vista



Regular Scholarship

VIVIAN TREJO

LPN Supervisor
La Via



Regular Scholarship

KATRINA URIAS

Server
La Perla



HS Scholarship

ISAURA VALENZUELA

Med. Tech
La Joya



Regular Scholarship

LILY WATERHOUSE

Med. Tech
La Joya



Regular Scholarship

KAREN WHEELER

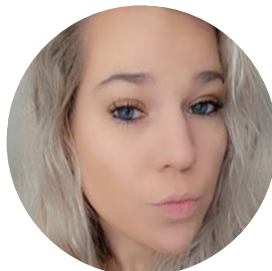
Companion Caregiver
LP Campus



Regular Scholarship

**MORGAN
WOJCIECHOWSKI**

Server
La Joya



Luce, Schloff/Miller
& Van Veen
Regular Scholarship

YESENA ZARAGOZA

Server
La Vista



Regular Scholarship



Linda Johnson



Ruth Barwick



Donna Rea



Roger Roderick



June Roberts



Carol Warren



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