

OAKLAND-ALAMEDA COUNTY COLISEUM

# FOUNDATION NEWS & NOTES

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## RECIPIENTS OF OAKLAND-ALAMEDA COUNTY COLISEUM FOUNDATION GEORGE P. SCOTLAN SCHOLARSHIPS NAMED

The Oakland-Alameda County Coliseum Foundation announced the recipients of the George P. Scotlan Scholarships. They are awarded to honor Scotlan, a former member of the Coliseum Board of Directors. He also served as Special Assistant for Urban Affairs to the UC Berkeley Chancellor at the time of his death.

Ronald C. Nahas, President of the Board of Directors, noted the scholarships are for \$10,500, payable at \$2,625 per year. The awardees are Jessica Jayne Yu of Castro Valley, Ian Reed Merifield of Alameda and Rio Bauce of Berkeley.

**JESSICA YU** is a graduate of Castro Valley High School. She has a 4.41 grade point average and a 2020 SAT score. She will attend the University of California Berkeley and major in molecular cell biology. She has a particular desire to work in the mental illness field, serving that population., She has been active during high school, serving to help Jenny Lin Foundation with its Youth Summer Programs in music and child safety. She was also an after-school tutor and a Link Crew Leader, a program to help freshmen adjust to high school. The school's Leo Club also benefited from her participation in community events.

**IAN MERRIFIELD** has a 4.68 grade point average and scored 2240 on his SAT exam. He is a graduate of Encinal High School in Alameda. He intends to attend Harvard University and major in Political Science/International Relations. He served as student body president and organized and led student drives in support of funding for education. School drama productions were another activity in which he excelled. His Boy Scout efforts included canned food drives and as a day camp counselor for Cub Scout Day Camps. In the community he was involved with his church's support of a local homeless shelter.

**RIO BAUCE** is a Berkeley High School graduate with a 3.81 grade point average and a 2030 SAT score. He plans to attend Pitzer College (of the Claremont Colleges) with a major in political science. His involvement in public service began during his high school years, in addition to leadership positions on campus. As an intern in a city councilmember's office, he became active in the community. He was chair of the Berkeley Youth Commission and also served as the Student Director of the Berkeley Board of Education. He is active as a volunteer at the Ecology Center's Berkeley Farmers' Market and with the Berkeley Sea Scouts.

The Oakland-Alameda County Coliseum Foundation was established to honor Coliseum President Emeritus Robert T. Nahas and to oversee charitable programs associated with the Coliseum. The Foundation also awards the Robert T. Nahas scholarships.

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