

#### Scholarships: Making a Difference in Students' Lives



Lalit K. Masih was America's first prominent Indian American watercolorist and a professor for 32 years in Long Island. Art was his beloved hobby that won him many awards and accolades before his passing in December 2016. His wife of 54 years, Sandra, and his two children, Tara and Kevin, wanted to create an art scholarship in his memory. Kevin, whose children are proud graduates of Lake Howell, reached out to The Foundation to set up this scholarship for students to keep his father's legacy alive. Thanks to this family, a graduating SCPS senior pursuing a degree in an artrelated field will receive this new \$1,000 scholarship.

Graduation is just around the corner and seniors are making plans for their future! To help students achieve their dreams, the Foundation will provide over \$30,000 in scholarships to 27 deserving graduating seniors. The need for these scholarships are growing as The Foundation saw the number of applications received triple this year. The selection committee has begun reviewing these applications and will soon begin announcing the recipients of these scholarships including the first Lalit K. Masih Memorial Art Scholarship.



If you are interested in setting up a scholarship in memory of your loved one, please contact our Business Manager at 407-320-0181.

All scholarships through The Foundation are privately funded by donors and the business community, managed by The Foundation for Seminole County Public Schools and viewed as an investment in the education of the students of Seminole County.



Join us as we kick-off our annual school supply drive for the 2017-2018 school year on May 11th! You'll have a chance to tour A Gift For Teaching - Seminole store and go behind the scenes to see how your donations create better opportunities for SCPS students.

This program of The Foundation for Seminole County Public Schools provides teachers and administrators with access to free school supplies, backpacks and more for their classrooms, schools and students most in need. Learn more about this program and RSVP for the Kick-Off at 407-320-7768.

## Volunteer Spotlight: Linda Reynolds

Volunteers are vital to helping The Foundation achieve it's goals and support the students and teachers of Seminole County Public Schools.

Linda Reynolds, former teacher and long-time member of the business community, began volunteering with The Foundation three years ago. Linda's sons are SCPS graduates and she has two grandchildren who attend SCPS. She enjoys volunteering with The Foundation because she believes "it's just a great cause" and she "gets to work with some fantastic people." You may have seen Linda helping out at other Foundation events but where you can't miss her is at our Golf FORE Education Tournament. Linda not only serves on the planning committee but she is the lead volunteer coordinator. Recruiting and coordinating over 40 volunteers is not an easy task for a volunteer to take on but you'd never know it because Linda always has a contagious smile on her face.



Thank you Linda for all you do to benefit the teachers and students of Seminole County Public Schools!

To learn about volunteer opportunities with The Foundation, visit <u>www.foundationscps.org/get-involved/volunteer/.</u>



A few of the over 40 volunteers who gave their time at the Golf FORE Education tournament on April 3, 2017.

### Is It Time to Renew Your Education License Plate?

Consider supporting our schools by purchasing the License for Learning tag at your local Seminole County tag agency. Every time an Education tag is purchase or renewed in Seminole County, a \$20 tax deductible donation is made to The Foundation.

Fund raised through the License for Learning program support Foundation programs such as: A

Gift for Teaching - Seminole and Grants for Great Ideas.

<u>Click here to learn more or purchase your plate</u> today!



#### Do you have 45 minutes a week to change a life?



We are looking for mentors for the 2017-2018 school year to support our Take Stock in Children scholars! Get a jump on the process today!

Please email <u>rodrignc@scps.k12.fl.us</u> for additional information and an application.

# UPCOMING EVENTS

TOOLS 4 SEMINOLE SCHOOLS KICK-OFF Thursday, May 11, 2017

Take Stock in Children Graduation Celebration Thursday, May 11, 2017

Take Stock in Children Mentor Appreciation Reception Thursday, May 18, 2017 Ensuring that today's students become tomorrow's productive citizens.

