

## **Foundation Welcomes New Investment Advisor**

At a special meeting of the Yuba Community College District Foundation Board of Directors, Aaron Schmoekel, with the firm Smart Investor was approved as the new investment advisor for the Foundation's endowment funds. Aaron's office is in Woodland. He is a former community college student at Consumes River College, and then earned a degree in Business Administration from the California State University, Sacramento. His vast array of credentials includes Investment Advisor Representative (IAR) and Certified Financial Planner (CFP). As the investment advisor Aaron will work with the Foundation Board on crafting investment policy and strategy in order to protect the assets of the foundation, while maximizing investment growth to benefit our students.

## **Giving Property and Other Ways to Support the Foundation**

There are many ways to support students through charitable giving to the Yuba Community College District Foundation. Everything from writing a check, supporting a fundraising event at one of the campuses, making an online contribution, donating a vehicle, or including the Foundation or one of our College Funds in an estate plan. Leela Rai did just that by gifting property to the Foundation following her passing in 2015. That property, located in Modoc County, is on the market and once sold the proceeds will be used for the benefit of students at Yuba College. If you are looking for information on the various means of giving to the Foundation go to the **WAYS TO GIVE** section on the Foundation's website.

## **Scholarship Manager, New Site Launched for Foundation Scholarships**

Working with the leadership of the Financial Aid Departments of Yuba College and Woodland Community College a new online program – *Scholarship Manager* – to manage the application and review process for scholarships was launched. The application cycle for 20231/22 Foundation scholarships opened on March 1 and applications will be accepted through October 1, 2021. Woodland Community College students can log in at **WCC SCHOLARSHIPS**. Yuba College students can log in at **YUBA SCHOLARSHIPS**. More than 200 privately funded scholarships, valued in excess of \$210,000 are offered through the Yuba College and Woodland Community College Funds of the Foundation.

## **Scholarships Spotlight**

The Kimberly A Kettmann Memorial Nursing Scholarship was established by family and friends in memory of Kimberley. Kim was a graduate of Yuba College's Nursing Program and was a registered Nurse in San Francisco for more than 12 years. The Kettmann Scholarship is awarded annually to a student majoring in nursing at Yuba College. To support the Kettmann Nursing Scholarship click **HERE**.

The David Althausen Administration of Justice Scholarship recognizes a student for excellence and dedication in the pursuit of a law enforcement career. The Woodland Community College Fund established the scholarship to support a continuing or transfer student pursuing a degree in Administration of Justice. David Althausen was a retired Woodland police officer and an adjunct Administration of Justice faculty member at Woodland Community College. To support the Althausen Administration of Justice Scholarship click **HERE**.

## **New Scholarships**

A big THANK YOU to the Clear Lake Rotary Club for establishing a new scholarship in support of students in the Culinary Arts program at the Lake County Campus of Woodland Community College.