The Korean American Scholarship Foundation

2014 Annual Report

www.kasf.org

KASF

"As I go into college, I hope to follow my passions in international relations and economics. Through my high school's Model United Nations program, I became very interested in a future in international affairs, as I loved learning about how different parts of the world come together yet at the same time remains so distinct and individual. I hope to find a career in the United Nations as a diplomat or possibly at an international, non-governmental organization, where I will have the ability to help empower others around the world. I will also take my spirit of volunteerism and dedication to college as I look into community service opportunities."

Kevin Kim
Hometown: Northbrook, IL
School: University of Illinois at Chicago
Intended Major: International Relations/Economics

Chairman's Message

It is an honor to serve KASF as Chairman of the National Board of Directors. I sincerely appreciate all board members, scholarship recipients, donors, and all who touch the organization. Thank you for the hard work and time you have put into KASF. Without you, the ability to give this scholarship to a deserving student is not possible.

To maintain this scholarship's availability for future Korean American students, we must continue to work together. We can do this with the willingness to help one another. Whether it is by small tasks or long term goals, the members of the Korean American community must take initiative to create a support system for one another.

This year, we awarded $527,400 in scholarships to 299 qualified students from seven regional chapters— a record high in both the dollar amount of scholarships and students KASF has ever awarded. Additionally, we created eight new chair scholarships amounting to $200,000— the highest record in our history.

In 2014, KASF introduced new initiatives including the following:

1. Online donations – introduced the capability to collect donations electronically
2. Online application – introduced an online application system for today's digital students
3. Korean War Veterans Generation
4. National Board Manuals and booklets published to establish a scholarship standard

On behalf of the Board of Directors, I would like to extend our sincerest appreciation towards the founding members, donors, regional directors, volunteers, recipients, and families for contributing to the 46th year of the Korean American Scholarship Foundation.

Let us continue to pass on our vision to build a stronger foundation that supports education, service, honor, and progress. Let us work together to support the representatives of each generation in order to see their successes and contributions to society.

Best,

Augie Lee
Chairman
National Board of Directors
Korean American Scholarship Foundation

KASF Mission

The Korean American Scholarship Foundation (KASF) is a non-profit, volunteer-managed Organization established to help meet the financial needs of Korean-American students seeking higher education. Specifically, the foundation seeks to:

1. Assist Korean American students in pursuit of their academic and personal achievement
2. Encourage their community and civic service as an integral part of their leadership development
3. Nurture a sense of pride and confidence in Korean cultural heritage and tradition

KASF Leadership

2014 National Board Executive Directors

Executive Team

Chairperson	Augie Lee		
Vice Chair	Leonard Kim	**Executive Director**	Eric Choi
Chief Financial Officer	Hyun Sue Lee		

Committee Chairs

Investment	Yoon Soo Park	**Scholarship**	Frank Lee
Organization	Sungsu John Kang	**IT**	Steve Yun
Development	John Yi		

2014 Regional Chapter Presidents and National Board of Directors

Eastern Regional Chapter

Established in 1969
Sang Kim, President
Leonard Kim
Yoonsoo Park
Steve Yun
Robert Kang

Midwestern Regional Chapter

Established in 1993
Augie Lee, President
Edward Rim
Jingyoung Jang
Jenny Lee

Western Regional Chapter

Established in 1985
Gloria Lee, President
Eric Choi
Paul Kim
Frank Lee
Robin Kim

Northeastern Regional Chapter

Established in 2001
Jay Lee, President
Bok Lim Choi
James Lee
Sungsu John Kang
Hyun J. Nam

Southern Regional Chapter

Established in 1992
Kristina Kim, Co-President
Hak-Keun Chang, Co-President
Young Kun Kim
Lily Kim
Moon Hee Kim

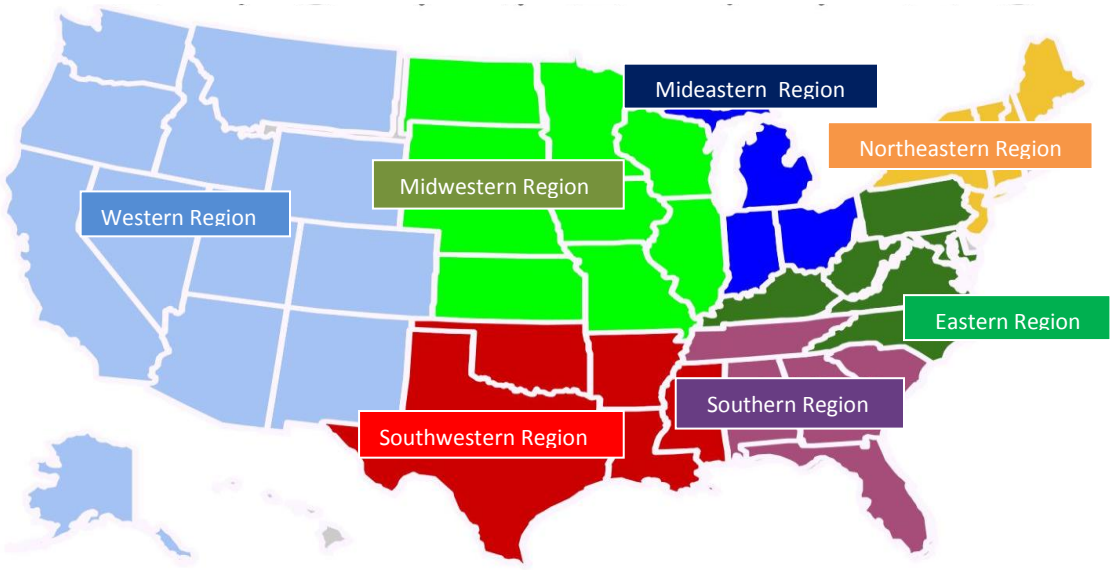
Mideastern Regional Chapter

Established in 2003
Jong Dae Kim, President
Hyun Kim

Southwestern Regional Chapter

Established in 2012
Sean Kim, President
John Yi

KASF Regional Chapters



5 Types of Scholarships

CHAIR SCHOLARSHIPS are established through a one-time donation of $25,000 or more by individuals or corporations. KASF will pay $1,000 in perpetuity in the name of a given Chair Scholarship.

DESIGNATED SCHOLARSHIPS are established by contributions of $1,000 or more and awarded each year of the contribution.

LEGACY SCHOLARSHIPS are established through bequest donation by friends of KASF who express their appreciation and everlasting support for our mission by naming KASF as beneficiary of a will, life insurance, trust, or estate planning.

GENERAL SCHOLARSHIPS are funded through KASF fundraising activities.

HIGH SCHOOL ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS are offered by some of KASF regional chapters for high school students. Selection is based on outstanding achievements in music, arts, sports, community and social services, and leadership. Each receives $500.

Chair Scholarship Donors for 2014

Chin Moon Kim and Soon Ock Paik Scholarship

Donated by Dr. Mrs. Chin Moon Kim

Dr. Kim, Chin Moon and Mrs. Paik, Soon Ock of Fall Church, VA donated $50,000 in Nov, 2013 and another $50,000 in July 2014 creating four chair scholarships. They wished to give their scholarships to students in need. Dr. Kim & Mrs. Paik, who are in their 80s, decided to donate to KASF because they were impressed by the fact that KASF is run by all volunteers with little overhead in its operation. Dr. Kim graduated from medical school at Seoul National University and came to the US in 1958. He completed his residency in Louisville, Kentucky and opened his practice as a pediatrician in Fairfax, VA in 1968, until he retired 20 years ago. Mrs. Paik graduated from Seoul National University's College of Education and worked as a high school teacher in Jinhae, Korea before coming to the US with her husband. They have two sons and both of whom are physicians.

Sang Nam Lee & Hwa Young Cho Scholarship

Donated by Dr. Sang Nam Lee and Mrs. Hwa Young Cho

Dr. Lee, Sang Nam and Mrs. Cho, Hwa Young of Potomac Falls, VA donated $50,000 in July 2014 creating two additional chair scholarships. Previously, Mrs. and Dr. Lee donated two chair scholarships – one in memory of Dr. Lee's mother, Lee Keun Oak in 1992 and the other, for Mrs. Hwa Young Cho in 2000.

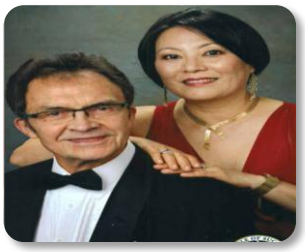
Dr. Lee served as the President of the Eastern Region in 1991- 1993 as well as the Chairman of the National Board of KASF in 2012-2013. While serving as the National Board Chairman, he led a campaign of increasing the KASF endowment fund to $10 million by 2020. As part of his commitment for the campaign, he pledged $100,000 by 2020, of which he decided to donate $50,000 in 2014. Dr. Lee practiced as an oncologist and worked at the George Washington Hospital and Fairfax Inova before retiring in 2007.

World Mission Church Scholarship

Donated by World Mission Church

Elder Hyo Sung Chae, representing World Mission Church located in Falls Church, donated $25,000 creating the World Mission Church scholarship. The donation was received in increments over the last four years including a lump sum of $9,000 received in August 2014. He is also the author of "Two Birds with One Stone", a Korean-English songbook, which he asked KASF to distribute to all student winners in 2013 and again in 2014.

New Chair Scholarship Donors for 2014



Marina and Adrien Goorman-Kim Scholarship

Donated by Mrs. and Mr. Goorman-Kim

Marina Kim, a long time board member and former president of the Korean American Scholarship Foundation (KASF) Eastern Region, and her husband, Adrien Goorman, a retired IMF economist, made a $25,000 donation in 2014 to establish a Chair Scholarship. Mrs. and Mr. Goorman-Kim were inspired to establish the scholarship as a means to diversify their way of reaching out to areas where the need is highest and where contributing is likely to have the most impact. They strongly believe that the objectives and, more importantly, the results of KASF support to deserving students in financial need, will effectively complement the other aspects of giving back they have been engaged in, such as assistance to education and healthcare, and micro financing for entrepreneurs in underserved areas of the world. They are convinced that strengthening KASF awards will make a difference in the lives of many more young students who might otherwise not have the means to pursue their aspirations, achieve their dreams and then be in a better position to help themselves make the world a better place. Awards under the scholarship will be designated to students in international relations and development, health care, human services, and environmental protection.

Yo Taik Song Scholarship

Donated by Lloyd A. Fry Foundation (Unmi Song)

Mrs. Unmi Song, the eldest daughter of the late Dr. Yo Tai Song, donated $25,000 through the Lloyd A. Fry Foundation, creating the second chair scholarship in memory of Dr. Yo Taik Song. The scholarship will be given a priority to students majoring in science. Dr. Song became a board member of KASF in 1973 and served as the President from 1977 to 1980, and then as Chairman from 1981 and 1982. In 1998, a chair scholarship was created in his name for students in need. Born in 1932 in Kyunggi-do, Korea, he is a graduate of Pai Chai High School and Yonsei University. He received a PhD in Nuclear Engineering from the University of Illinois. He worked for the Department of Energy and taught at the University of Tennessee and University of Colorado. He also received the KASF Life Time Service Award in 2013. He passed away in June 2014.

Dr. Young Hoon Kang Scholarship

Donated by Sungyong & Diana Kang

Dr. Young Hoon Kang (born May 30, 1921) was the Prime Minister of the Republic of Korea for two years from December 1988 until December 1990. He became a member of the National Assembly in 1988 and Prime Minister in December of the same year. Dr. Kang subsequently became the President of the Republic of Korea National Red Cross and also served as Chairman of the Sejong Foundation, and as Chairman of the United Nations Environment Program (UNEP), Korea Committee. In early 1970's, he served on the board of the Korean American Scholarship Foundation in Washington D.C. He also delivered the keynote speech at the 1998 KASF Western Scholarship Awards. The first Young Hoon Kang Chair Scholarship was established in 1999 to assist the Korean American students at USC majoring in International Relations/Political Science. KASF appreciates the second Chair Scholarship contribution from his children this year.

Award Days

The 45 Annual Scholarship Awards Banquet
한미장학재단

The 45 Annual Scholarship Awards Banquet
한미장학재단
The Korean American Scholarship Foundation Eastern Regional Chapter

The Korean American Scholarship Foundation
Koreadaily.com

$2,000.00
Two Thousand Only
Farmers Insurance

THE KOREAN AMERICAN
SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION

Regional Activities

Eastern Regional Chapter

On May 31st, 2014 the Easter Regional Chapter of the Korean American Scholarship Foundation (KASF) held its 45th Annual Golf Tournament to benefit the KASF Scholarship Fund. This year's event was held at the Pleasant Valley Golf Club in Chantilly, Virginia and attracted a total of seventy two registered participants. Morgan Stanley sponsored this event for the second consecutive year.

ERC 2014 Banquet Reflection

The Sunday night of September 28, 2014 was a night I will never forget. In a large reception hall filled with hundreds of Korean Americans from different generations, students hand-picked by the KASF board were handed scholarships due to their proven areas of excellence. The moment when the donors handed the scholarships to their prospective students was of pure joy. Not only were the students grinning to their ears because the academic support they received, but also the donors were in a state of pure euphoria by being able to help the future generations reach excellence. Though these scholarships were a piece of paper with a signature and a check, symbolically the scholarships meant so much more. These scholarships were an investment from the many Korean American community who support the bright minds of the future in their success in life. -----By Daniel Kim------

Legacy Donation Seminar sponsored by SunTrust

As the first attempt to promote this program, KASF in partnership with SunTrust, held a dinner seminar with several potential donors at the Tower Club Tysons Corner on April 29, 2014. The evening program included a video presentation of the KASF legacy scholarship program and sharing of music and personal testimony by Daniel Aum, a past recipient of KASF scholarship. In addition, SunTrust representatives presented valuable information regarding estate planning and the legal and tax implications of making legacy donations. Ferris Ahn, a KASF Board Member and a Vice President of Wealth Management at SunTrust, was instrumental in organizing this event. Overall, it was a pleasant evening with several close friends of KASF, while being educated on the technicalities of legacy giving. We will continue to improve the message and promote the program with potential donors in our region.

Northeastern Regional Chapter

2014 Northeastern Regional Chapter Scholarship Award Banquet

The Northeastern Regional Chapter held the annual scholarship award banquet on Saturday, September 13, 2014. In 2013, we had provided $117,400 in scholarships to 58 students, but in 2014 we could award the scholarship amount of $130,000, an increase of 11%, to 72 students.

The keynote speaker we invited was Mr. Timothy Haahs, the President and CEO of Timothy Haahs & Associates, an engineering and architectural design firm. He inspired and moved all guests as well as the scholarship recipients with his story of how he started his firm from his home garage after surviving the heart transplant surgery and built it as a nationally recognized firm.

We have chosen Dr. Helen Yoon as the donor of the year. Dr. Yoon is one of the founding members of Northeastern Regional Chapter serving the chapter for 14 years and has been an exemplary and generous donor as well. About 360 students, parents, donors and guests participated in the ceremony to enjoy the festivity and share good causes of KASF.

New York Open House and Young Professional Open House

We opened our door wide to people who do not know about KASF yet. As KASF is still known to a limited group of people, we wanted to reach out to broader public in our region.

KASF NERC held an open house April 3, 2014 in Flushing, New York. We invited guests and potential donors to the open house and explained them what we have done so far and how they could support or join us. We also held a special open house in Manhattan on June 3, 2014 inviting young Korean American working in this region as a part of our efforts to inject young blood to our rather aging organization. The 15 young professionals who attended the open house were in their late 20s to early 40s having successful careers in such fields as law, medicine, finance, and business. They all showed a lot of interest in the history and activities of KASF, and especially liked the video of KASF Legacy Scholarship Campaign.

Golf Outing

We held a fundraising golf outing event on May 14, 2014. About 90 people participated in the golf while many sponsoring vendors, newspaper and broadcasting companies also supported the event by way of coupons, merchandises and advertisements. Thanks to active participation and support we raised approximately $35,000 from tickets, auction, ruffle and donation, and the net income after all expenses amounted to about $25,000. We think the fundraising golf event was very effective not only for raising scholarship funds but also for promoting and publicizing the cause and activities of KASF in general.

Southern Regional Chapter

Spring Concert – March 29, 2014

Our annual chapter events include a spring musical concert which serves as one of our primary fundraisers during the year. Last year, we were fortunate to have a very talented quartet led by our own Mrs. Sookyung Kim, pianist, including four members of Atlanta Symphony, in a performance at the Korean Community Presbyterian Church of Atlanta. Guests were treated to refreshments and a musical performance and an opportunity to meet with the artists afterwards.

Annual Banquet – August 9, 2014

Last year, KASF SRC was fortunate to provide scholarships to 51 college and high school students from around the southeastern United States. In addition, our chapter through the generous donation of the Chu Family Foundation provided 14 additional awards to American descendants of Korean War Veterans studying in various local area universities. The 14 scholarships were newly created for the first time since the inception of Southern Regional Chapter.

Annual Fundraising Golf Tournament – September 28, 2014

With nearly 100 participants, including, for the first time, an American Korean war veteran with his son-in-law, KASF SRC successfully hosted its largest golf tournament. The event with brought together community and business leaders from around the metro Atlanta region, took place at Reunion Golf Club in Horschton, GA. Thanks to the efforts of two current board members, Mr. Hakkeun Chang and Dr. Moo Hoo Lee as well as other board members, the tournament provided much needed funds for KASF SRC's activities in 2015 as well as additional scholarships for future recipients.

Mideastern Regional Chapter

2014 MERC Scholarship Award Banquet The scholarship award ceremony was the final destination of our year long voyage. It was the culmination of the tireless process of fundraising activities. In 2014, we provided a total amount of $8,000 of scholarships to 8 students. To our great surprise, almost 200 students, parents, donors and guests participated to pack the Korean American Cultural Center of Michigan.

Midwestern Regional Chapter

We held a fundraising golf outing event on July 12, 2014. 64 people participated in the golf while many more sponsors supported the event by way of donations and gifts.

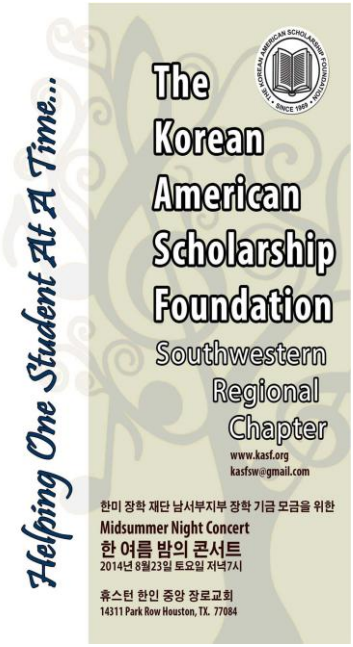
A fundraising event was hosted highlighting traditional calligraphy demonstrations. Family names were hand written in traditional calligraphy during during the April 27 – May 3rd, 2014 event.

Small, but very unique, KASF-MWRC Day on September 21st was the first time an event was dedicated to introducing KASF to Korean American community leaders.

Southwestern Regional Chapter

The 3rd Anniversary and Annual Scholarship Award Banquet was held at the Sheraton Houston Brookhollow Hotel, Houston, Texas on October 25, 2014. Scholarships were awarded to 26 college and Graduated students Over 120 guests and board members attended the annual Banquet and Scholarship award.

During the year, the Southwestern Region recruited new board members (families). Many of them are young professional and business couples. KASF SWRC Region and the Houston Korean American Church co-sponsored the second Korean American young talented classical concert “Midsummer Night Concert” on August 23, 2014.



Western Regional Chapter

Continuation of the Junior Board

Early last year, the KASF Western Region established its Junior Board under the mentorship of Dr. Ruth Chung. The Junior Board's mission is to help with strategic planning and execution of KASF events and programming as well as to serve as student ambassadors for KASF. The inaugural Junior Board consists of seven members. This year, after the award ceremony in September, we had a few more students join the Junior Board. The year 2015 will be the year where Junior Board will get together often to implement new ideas for the attraction of young people into KASF. The Western Region is very excited about this new establishment and the opportunity to build the next generation of KASF's leadership.

Connecting through Facebook

Being available on Facebook has given us exposure and interest from potential scholarship seekers. To continue our connection with past and present applicants, we have been posting once a week about different topics: prioritizing, study tips, Asian-American issues, etc. As a popular social media medium, the Western Region has successfully attracted many applicants and supporters.

Remarkable Success for the 24th Annual Golf Tournament

Our leading fundraising event for this year was our annual golf tournament. The event was held on July 16, 2014 at Strawberry Farms Golf Club in Irvine. The 24th Annual Golf Tournament was a great success. We raised over $70,000 thanks to many corporate and individual sponsors as well as in-kind donations. Special thanks to Dr. David Lee and Dr. Miki Nam for their generous donation of the golf course for our tournament!

A Heartwarming Annual Awards Luncheon

As the highlight of this year's activities, our 29th Awards Luncheon was held on October 4, 2014. Around 70 guests including donors, recipients, and guests alike gathered to celebrate this year's accomplishments and to recognize and award 40 scholarship recipients. Our Mistress of Ceremony was none other than Annie Cho, former host and producer of LA Seoul on Ch. 18 and KASF board of director. Our keynote speaker this year was Dr. Taehyun Kim who is the first Korean American professor of journalism at California State University of Northridge. We also had two recipients, Howard Chung and Soo Jung Kwon, who spoke of their struggles and success on their road to achieving the American Dream. Overall, although we were not able to award as many students as have in the previous year, this awards ceremony was a success in that we were able to share and reminisce the past and have a very intimate time of getting to know each other by networking and sharing stories.

Financial Report (For the Year End: December 31, 2014)

I. Statement of Financial Position

Assets	
Assets:	
Current assets:	
Cash and cash equivalents	$ 828,331
Investments	3,191,853
Total current assets	4,020,184
Property and equipment:	
Furniture and fixtures	9,547
Leasehold improvement	47,032
Property and equipment at cost	56,579
Less: accumulated depreciation	(56,579)
	-
Total assets	**$ 4,020,184**
Liabilities and Net Assets	
Liabilities:	
Total liabilities	-
Net assets:	
Unrestricted	372,684
Temporarily restricted	-
Permanently restricted	3,647,500
Total net assets	4,020,184
Total liabilities and net assets	**$ 4,020,184**

II. Statements of Activities and Changes in Net

	Unrestricted	Temporarily Restricted	Permanently Restricted	Total
Revenues:				
Chair scholarships	$ -	$ -	$ 200,000	$ 200,000
Designated scholarships	278,230	-	-	278,230
General scholarships	32,898			32,898
General contribution	70,537	-	-	70,537
Support from directors	33,142	-	-	33,142
Fundraising activities	137,219	-	-	137,219
Investment Income(loss), net	333,105	-	-	333,105
Interest income	1,064	-	-	1,064
Net assets released from Restrictions	-	-	-	-
Total Revenues (losses)	**886,195**	**-**	**200,000**	**1,086,195**
Expenses:				
Program services:				
Scholarships	741,420	-	-	741,420
Supporting services:				
General and administrative	86,520	-	-	86,520
Fundraising expense	166,074	-	-	166,074
				-
Total Expenses	994,014	-	-	994,014
Change in Net Assets	**$ (107,819)**	**$ -**	**$ 200,000**	**$ 92,181**
Net Assets - Beginning of year	**480,503**	**-**	**3,447,500**	**3,928,003**

Net Assets - End of year	**$ 372,684**	**$ -**	**$3,647,5000**	**$ 4,020,184**

III. Schedule of Functional Expenses

	Program services			Supporting services`			
	Chair Scholarship awards	Designated General & other scholarship awards	Total	General and administrative	Fund-raising	Total	Total Expenses
Scholarships	$ 314,500	$ 426,920	$ 741,420	$ -	$ -	$ -	$ 741,420
Advertising	-	-	-	2,700	3,210	5,910	5,910
Bank charge	-	-	-	239	-	239	239
Banquet	-	-	-	-	110,240	110,240	110,240
Delivery and Freight	-	-	-		-	-	-
Golf tournament	-	-	-	-	25,510	25,510	25,510
Insurance	-	-	-	932	-	932	932
Meeting expense	-	-	-	25,214	-	25,214	25,214
Miscellaneous expense	-	-	-	570	2,745	3,315	3,315
Office and commitees expense	-	-	-	3,519	3,867	7,386	7,386
Outside service	-	-	-	5,784	5,116	10,900	10,900
Plaques	-	-	-	2,450	2,193	4,643	4,643
Printing & reproduction	-	-	-	4,904	9,492	14,396	14,396
Professional service	-	-	-	6,330	-	6,330	6,330
Public relation and promotion	-	-	-	7,451	-	7,451	7,451
Rent	-	-	-	-	3,700	3,700	3,700
Taxes and licenses	-	-	-	565	-	565	565
Telephone	-	-	-	1,311	-	1,311	1,311
Travel	-	-	-	21,934	-	21,934	21,934
Website expense				2,620	-	2,620	2,620
	$ 314,500	**$ 426,920**	**$ 741,420**	**$ 86,520**	**$ 166,074**	**$ 252,594**	**$ 994,014**

Regional Performance

	ERC	WRC	SRC	MWRC	NERC	MERC	SWRC	Total
Total Amount Awarded	$138,600	$80,000	$100,000	$40,000	$130,000	$8,800	$30,000	$527,400
College/Graduate School	$114,000	$78,000	$75,000	$40,000	$123,000	$8,800	$30,000	$468,800
High School	$6,500	-	$4,000	-	$5,000	-	-	$15,500
Korean War Veteran Descendants	$10,000	-	$21,000	-	$2,000	-	-	$33,000
Other	$8,100	$2,000	-	-	-	-	-	$10,100
Number of Recipients	72	40	65	17	72	8	25	299
College/Graduate School	49	39	43	17	61	8	25	242
High School	12	-	8	-	10	-	-	30
Korean War Veteran Descendants	5	-	14	-	1	-	-	20
Other	6	1	-	-	-	-	-	7

Testimonials

Justin Pezzella

Towson University, Freshman, Actuarial Science

My grandfather joined the Marine Corps Reserved in September 1947 at the age of 17. Shortly after the Korean War broke out, his battalion was activated. He spent 6 weeks of training at Camp Pendleton, California. The training was very intense and grueling, both physically and emotionally. The battalion left for Korea on the USS Jackson with about 800 other men. About 14 days later, they arrived in Kobe, Japan and arrived in Wonson, North Korea in November 1950. They later moved to the Chosin Reservoir area. His company dug foxholes in the frozen ground and strung barbed wire to be used as booby traps. They used their machine guns and automatic carbines to protect themselves from the enemies as they began advancing towards their foxholes. During the night of November 28, they received the first massive Chinese attack. They could not seem to kill the enemies fast enough. They just kept coming. His company began running low on ammunition, so they grabbed machines guns from the dead. My grandfather was shot in the leg. His friend bandaged his wound. An ambulance came later and he was evacuated from Korea and arrived in Japan at one of the aid stations. His wound was treated and the next morning he returned to his foxhole. Many of his friends were killed by the air attacks and napalm bombs. It was also very cold, about 20 to minus 30 degrees Fahrenheit. Water was frozen, food rations were solid, and their bodies were in constant pain. They were just numb, cold, and emotionally drained.

On December 5, my grandfather was evacuated and transported to Hamhung. They operated on his leg. He developed cellulites and was told he could have lost his leg. He also suffered from frostbite on his feet. He did not return to the states until April 1951. He was discharged from the Marines on August 22, 1952. He was awarded the Purple Heart Badge of Merit.

My grandfather wrote a memoir of his Korean War experience, which I read often. He has shared with us many of the stories and experiences he had, both good and bad. He is very active in the Chosin Few Marine Corps veteran's organization. He still keeps in touch with many of his friends from the Marine Corps. He participates in Veteran's affairs and ceremonies each year. He even spoke at my school about his experience in the Marine Corps. I find his stories so interesting and I am very proud of him.

When I reflect upon his experiences, I know that he was a true hero and role model. Though it is often referred to as the "Forgotten War", we know that the Korean War was a major factor in the halt of the spread of Communism. The Korean War opened the stage for the Cold War and the war against communism and the United States' policy of containment became a pivotal factor in fighting for the American freedom we all enjoy today. As I see my grandfather limping around today because of his injury and the frostbite that he still suffers from today, I think of the sacrifices he gave to our country. I will be forever grateful for his unselfish service.

As a recent Eagle Scout myself (earned in December 2012), each time I say the Pledge of Allegiance, I feel a place in my heart for not only the Korean War veterans, but for all of those service members that have fought for our freedom. I plan to stay active in scouting to instill the Scout Oath to do my best to do my duty to God and my country, to help other people at all times, and to keep myself physically strong, mentally awake, and morally straight. I want generations to come to remember the sacrifices that were given by those before us and I think scouting will be a great way to promote this. I am proud to call myself an American. Without the sacrifices the veterans have given and loyalty to the United States, we would not be part of this great country with the freedom that we enjoy each and every day.

Testimonials

Grace An
University of Houston, Law

Thus, Korean immigrants struggle immensely to memorize and learn the astounding complexity of the English language. However, total and complete understanding and use of the English language is almost impossible, especially for those who immigrate to America at later ages.

Korean parents toil to support their families, but because of language barriers, they are forced to accept jobs that undermine their full capabilities. Also, Korean students wrestle to balance learning English while striving to maintain excellent grades in school. Hence, Korean immigrants find it difficult to be accepted and respected by the English speaking community. They become trapped, with their boundaries lessened or widened depending on their level of English expertise. Thus, Korean immigrants cannot help but seek what is familiar and comfortable to them, and they choose the speak Korean at home, to befriend Korean speaking peers, to follow Korean entertainment and news, and to become narrower in Korean perspective.

However, my point is not to change Korean immigrants. Rather, I believe Koreans born in America constitute a bigger source of language limitation, and correspondingly, wield a greater power to help minimize it. Most American born Koreans cannot speak Korean fluently, and at best, they understand and speak basic Korean. This is a great disadvantage to the Korean-American community because a basic understanding and knowledge of the Korean language allows a basic connection to the Korean culture and its people. Subsequently, it is more difficult to appreciate the vibrant culture, history, and people of Korea; therefore, American born Koreans choose to accept and follow what is familiar to them, which is the English speaking American culture. Because of this, Korean-American children are likely to disrespect, feel shameful, and even resent their parents for their inadequate English skills—even after living in America for decades. In addition, Korean-Americans avoid befriending Korean immigrants because they cannot communicate and unknowingly disregard them, despite both groups sharing the same mother country. More importantly, Korean-Americans choose to invest their talents, abilities, and whole lives into assisting and improving the English speaking American community.

I suggest that Korean-American communities strongly encourage and push Korean parents to teach and Korean-Americans to learn sufficient Korean to adequately communicate and provide assistance to Korean families struggling to survive within their limited boundaries existing in the English speaking community. Korean is easier to learn than English, and children learn language faster than adults do. Consequently, Korean-Americans grip a greater advantage in minimizing language barriers. After all, American born Koreans already possess a wider world than Korean immigrants do. How much wider would both worlds be if Korean-Americans actively learned Korean to bridge the hurdles of language limitations?

List of Chair Scholarship

NB - National Board		
Year	**Chair Scholarship**	**Donor Name**
1985	Pohang Iron Steel	POSCO
1990	Korean Air	Korean Airline

ERC - Eastern Regional Chapter		
Year	**Chair Scholarship**	**Donor Name**
1985	Honorary Walter Park	KASF NB / Raymond Park
	Kyu Sup Chung	Amb. Kyu Sup Chung
	Pohang Iron Steel	Pohang Steel
1986	Stanley S. Lee	Mr. Stanley Lee
	Myong Soon Jean	Dr. & Mrs. Jay Khim
1987	Sin-Ran Ji & Eun Ja Kim	Dr. & Mrs. Chul Ho Kim
	Korean Churches in Greater Washington	Korean Churches in Washington
1988	Il Hwa Lee	Ms. Sook Ja Lee
1989	Honorary Ung Soo Kim	KASF NB
	Hak Kyun Chang	Mr. Chin Woo Chang
	Jung Sook Chung	Mrs. Eui Soon Chang
	Sung Woo Lee	Mr. & Mrs. Robert S. Lee
1990	Gehwan Choi	Mrs. Young Ho Lee Choi
	Korean Airline	KAL
1991	Ryun Ho Kim	Dr. & Mrs. Ryun Ho Kim
1992	Benjamin Souh	Mr. & Mrs. Benjamin Souh
	Eui Baik Chung	Dr. & Mrs. Eui Baik Chung
	Keun Oak Lee	Dr. & Mrs. Sang Nam Lee
	Tongyang Nylon	Tongyan Nylon/ In Sang Song
	Joo Ho Choe	Mr. Joo Ho Choe - Woo Sung Construction
	Hyung Kyu Woo	Mr. Chang Choon Woo
	Samsung Electronics America	Samsung / Mr. Bo Soon Song
	Soon Young Rhee Park	Mrs. Helen Park Hahm
	Yang Baek	Yong Hak Park
	Keun Young Jang	Mrs. Haeng Nam Paik
1997	Athletic (Annual Golf Tournament)	KASF-ERC
	Pai Chae High School Alumni	Pai Chai HS / Young A Ha
	Cinthia Kim	Dr. Jeong Hoon Kim / Yurie Systems
	Yo Taik Song	Dr. & Mrs. Yo Taik Song
	Chee Myong Song	Dr. & Mrs. Young Dahl Song
2000	Ki Chul Koh	Mrs. Yong Soo Koh
	American Wheat Mission Inc.	Rev. Taik Jung Chung
	Wol Rye Kim	Mr. & Mrs. Shawn Boo
	Yoon Soo & Dju Hyun Park	Dr. & Mrs. Yoonsoo Park
	Whayoung Cho Lee	Dr. & Mrs. Sang Nam Lee
	Ok Bong Lee Chung	Dr. & Mrs. Eui Baik Chung
2000	Kimok & Sung Hui Chung	Dr. & Mrs. Do Hyun Chung
	LG USA Chair Scholarship	President Charles Koo
	Chong Sun Chay	Mr. & Mrs. Chong Sun Chay
	Samsung Advanced Institute	Dr. Kwan Rim
2001	Yoonsoo Park (ERC Honrary)	ERC
2002	Byung Keun & Pyong Ran	Mr. & Mrs. Byung Keun Choi
2003	Soo Nam Han Memorial	Dr. & Mrs. Sung Kil Moon
	Myoung Ho & Yup Kong	Mr. Myoung Ho Kong
2004	Sun Yung Kim	Mr. Sun Yung Kim
	Doo Hyung Chung	Mr. Yu Sok Kang
	Joshua & Elizabeth Kim	Mr. Sang Kim
	Jean Whan Kim	Dr. & Mrs. Theodore Kim
2005	Dwight & Amy Im	Dr. Dwight Im
	Yun & Kim Foundation	Mr. Steve and Jina Kim
	Ung Soo & Silmo Kim	Dr. Ung Soo Kim
2006	Hwang Hae Do Min Association	Mr. Myung Ki Min
	Elder Chang Ho Do & Na Ok Baik Memorial	Mr. Chang Ho Do
	Hanju & Soonja Lee	Dr. & Mrs. Hanju Lee
	Yong Bo Hong & Soon Joo Kim	Mr. Yong Bo Hong
	Jung Kap & Sung Sook Hahm Memorial	Dr. Hahm
	Yeun Tae & Soon Hee Kim	Mr. Yeun Tae Kim
2007	Kyung Jin Oh Memorial	Mrs. Il Ho Kim / Mr. Brandon Oh
	Byung Hwa Jo & Hwang Gum Park	Mr. Byung Hwa Jo
	Yong Gul & Wanda K Park	Mr. Yong Gul Park
	Chung Choon Young Foundation	Mrs. Choon Young Chung
2008	Rev. Moon Hyuk Kang	Dr. & Mrs. Eui Baik Chung
2009	Open Door Presbyterian Church	Rev. Yong Hoon Kim
	Dae Hyun Ko	Mr. Dae Hyun Ko
	Mike Yu Shik Kim Memorial	Mr. Tae Hwan Kim
2011	Il Ho Kim Memorial	Mr. Brandon Oh
	Kum Ock Lee Foundation	Mr. Nae Won Lee
2012	Ambassador Jack Pritchard	Korean Economic Institute
	Hyung Soon & Hee Hyun	Mr. & Mrs. Sung Bin Im
2013	SungYoung Hwang	Dr. & Mrs. Young Dahl Song
	Soon Ock & Chin Moon Kim	Dr. & Mrs. Chin Moon Kim
	SunKyung & Young Whan Park	Mr. & Mrs. Young Whan Park
2014	Soon Ock & Chin Moon Kim	Dr. & Mrs. Chin Moon Kim
	Sang Nam Lee & Hwa Young Cho	Dr. & Mrs. Sang Nam Lee
	Maria and Adrien Goorman Kim	Mr. & Mrs. Adrien Goorman Kim
	World Mission Church	World Mission Church
	Yo Taik Song	Unmi Song

List of Chair Scholarship

MERC - Midwestern Regional Chapter

Year	Chair Scholarship	Donor Name
1993	Kwang Sun Choi	Mr. Kwang Sun Choi
	Soon Kyum Rhee Memorial	Stephanie Kim
	Hyun Jae Ihm Scholarship	Mr. & Mrs.Hyun Jae Ihm
1995	Myung Soon Lee Memorial	Mr. & Mrs. Kevin Keun Moo Lee
	Choon Hee Chang Memorial	Mr. & Mrs. Kee Nam Chang
	Kew Sun Chai	Mr.& Mrs. Kew Sun Chai
	Kew Sun Chai	Mr.& Mrs. Kew Sun Chai
	BP Amoco	BP Amoco
	Hyorae Lee	Dr.& Mrs. Soo In Lee, MD
2002	Ji Yong Lee	Mr. & Mrs. Ji Yong Lee
2003	Nam Hee Kim Memorial	Mr. & Mrs. Jin Hwan Kim
	Jong Ku Kim	Mr. & Mrs. Jong Ku Kim
2004	Myung Sik Jwon	Dr.& Mrs. Yoon Tae Kim, MD
2005	Byong Uk Chung	Dr. & Mrs. Byong Uk Chung
2007	Juiet Rim	Mr. & Mrs. Edward Rim

MERC - Mideastern Regional Chapter

Year	Chair Scholarship	Donor Name
2002	Kew Sun Chai	Mr. & Mrs. Kew Sun Chai
2003	Chang Soo Choi	Dr. Chang Soo Choi
	Dr. Wook & Soon Ja Kim	Dr. & Mrs. Wook Kim
2013	Chull Victor Memorial	Dr. & Mrs.Youngho Kim

NERC – Northeastern Regional Chapter

Year	Chair Scholarship	Donor Name
2001	Patriot Hak Soo Park Memorial	Mr. & Mrs. Yong Chan Lee
	Joann & Chong Suk Lee	Mr. & Mrs. Chong Suk Lee
	Tae Jin & Min Ok Kwon	Mr. & Mrs. Tae Jin Kwon
2002	LG Electronics	LG Electronics, USA
	Kyobo Life	Kyobo Life Insurance
2003	Rev. Stephen Sungbo Kang Memorial	Mr. Sungsu John Kang
2004	Jay Lee & Gus Lippman	Ms. Jay Lee & Mr. Gus Lippman
	Kun Jae Won & Kyung Sook Chae	Mr. & Mrs. Kun Jae Won
	Byung Kook & Hae Sook Lee	Mr. & Mrs. Byung Kook Lee
2005	Jae Oh Park Chair Scholarship	Mr. Jae Oh Park
	William Y. & Linda H. Kim	Mr. & Mrs. William Kim
2006	William Y. & Linda H. Kim	Mr. & Mrs. William Kim
	Anonymous Chair Scholarship	(Anonymous)
	Pamela Chu Memorial	Mr. & Mrs. Kenneth Chu
	Pamela Chu Memorial	Mr. & Mrs. Kenneth Chu
	LG Electronics	LG Electronics, USA
	Dr. Baik Hyun & Sook Ja Kang	Mr. & Mrs. Baik Hyun Kang
2007	LG Electronics	LG Electronics, USA
2008	Tae Jin & Min Ok Kwon	Mr. & Mrs. Tae Jin Kwon
	LG Electronics	LG Electronics, USA
2009	LG Electronics	LG Electronics, USA
2011	Pamela Chu Memorial	Mr. & Mrs. Kenneth Chu
2012	Jae Woo Kim Memorial	Mrs. Kim, Jae Woo

SRC - Southern Regional Chapter

Year	Chair Scholarship	Donor Name
1992	Moon Chul Han	Dr Mrs Moo Hee Lee
1993	Bang Sil An	SRC Benefit Concert
1994	Soo Im Kim	The Yong Kun Kim family
	Shin Jung Presbyterian Church	Shin Jung Presby Church
1996	Grace Oh & Taewon Yi	SRC Benefit Concert
	Dung Jae Lee	Mr Mrs Dung Jae Lee
	Dr.& Mrs Yong Kun Kim	Dr Mrs Yong Kun Kim
	Dr Mrs Jae Hyun Kim	Dr Mrs Jae Hyun Kim
	Dr Mrs Kee Jo Kim	Dr Mrs Kee Jo Kim
	Kay Kim Realtor	Ms Kay Kim
2004	Dr Mrs Byung Kun Chang	Dr Mrs Byung Kun Chang
	Korean Churches Council of Atlanta	KCCA
2005	Mr Mrs Joong Sik Cho	Mr Mrs Joong Sik Cho
	Hamilton Methodist Church	HMC
	Dr. & Mrs. Woo Baek Choi	Dr Mrs Woo Baek Choi
	Dr Mrs Ye Soon Kim	Family and friends of YSK
	Prof and Mrs Hung Won Jun	Family Of HWJ
2006	Mr Mrs Jong Kook Eun	Family of JKE
	StephenJ Moon	Family and friends of SJM
2011	Dr Mrs Young Jin Lee	Dr Mrs Young Jin Lee
2012	Dr. and Mrs.David and Jane Chu	Chu Family Foundation

SWRC - Southwestern Regional Chapter

Year	Chair Scholarship	Donor Name
2012	Jonathan Yi Memorial	John Yi

List of Chair Scholarship

WRC - Westeren Regional Chapter		
Year	**Chair Scholarship**	**Donor Name**
1986	Dae Bo Kim	Dr. & Mrs. Duk Soo Kim
1987	Myung Han Kim	Mr. & Mrs. Keith Kim
	Kwi Sun Kim	Dr. & Mrs. Luke Kim
	U.S. Magnetics	U.S. Magnetics
1988	Keun Sik Kim	Dr. & Mrs. Insoo Kim
	In Sook Chang	Mr. & Mrs. Leo Hahn
1989	Sarah Choi	Mrs. Sarah Choi/Setwart Kim
	Husky Han	Mr. & Mrs. Husky Han
1990	Korean Air	NB-Honorary
1993	Honorary Keith Soon Kim	Mr. & Mrs. Keith Kim
1994	Seung Il Song	Dr. & Mrs. Seung Il Song
1997	Duk Ryong Yun	Dr. & Mrs. Scott Yun
1998	Jung Won Kim	Mr. & Mrs. C.J. Kim
	Steve Y. Kim	Mr. & Mrs. Steve Kim
1999	Woul Young Chu	Mr. & Mrs. Jaemin Chang
	Young Hoon Kang	Mr. & Mrs. Sung Yong Kang
	Chi Soo Youk	Mr. & Mrs. Jaemin Chang
	Hana Financial	Hana Financial/Sunnie Kim
2000	Hyon Chough	Ms. Hyon Chough
	Dong Kyu Lim	Mr. Mrs. Dong Kyu Lim
	Rosalind Okhee Yang	Mr. Eddie Byummo Yang
2001	Steve Koh	Mr. & Mrs. Steve Koh
2002	AT& T	AT& T
	Dong Kyu Lim	Mr.& Mrs. Dong Kyu Lim
2003	HLA-A2	Dr. & Mrs. Minsik Park
	Soon Woo Yi	Mr. Soon Woo Yi
2005	Jae Kwan Park	Mrs. Ann Park
	Yong Kyu Yi	Mr. & Mrs. Yong Kyu Yi
2006	Dong Sun Lim	Mr. John Lim
2007	Hwa Kyung Park	Dr. & Mrs. Minsik Park
	Sung Woon & In Hwa Kim	Dong Il Jang/Mr. SW Kim
	KB Kim & Myungso Chung	Mr. KB Kim
	Hyon Chough	Ms. Hyon Chough
2008	Jamison Services, Inc	Drs. David & Miki Lee
2009	Sara Lee	Mr. & Mrs. Nam Lee
2014	Dr. Young Hoon Kang	Sungyong & Diana Kang

KASF Regional Offices

KASF National Office
1952 Gallows Road, Suite 310
Vienna, VA 22182
feedback@kasf.org

Eastern Regional Chapter
1952 Gallows Road, Suite 310
Vienna, VA 22182
erc@kasf.org

Mideastern Regional Chapter
24666 Northwestern Highway Service Drive
Southfield, MI 48075
merc@kasf.org

Midwestern Regional Chapter
1760 S. Braymore Dr.
Barrington, IL 60010
mwrc@kasf.org

Northeastern Regional Chapter
472 11th Street, Room #202
Palisades Park, NJ 07650
nerc@kasf.org

Southern Regional Chapter
1500 Chipping Court
Rosewell, GA 30076
src@kasf.org

Southwestern Regional Chapter
14759 Kellywood Land
Houston, TX 77079
swrc@kasf.org

Western Regional Chapter
3540 Wilshire Blvd., Suite 920
Los Angeles, CA 90010
wrc@kasf.org

The Korean American Scholarship Foundation

www.kasf.org