

PREVIOUS KRISTINE M. SCARANO SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

2007-08: Joel Daus ♦ Leona Fisher ♦ Janise Roselle ♦ Breeanne Yek

2006-07: Jack Beckham ♦ Christine Crockett ♦ Deborah Hallett
J. Marie Hicks ♦ Jenni Keys ♦ Nan Ma ♦ Tina Stavropoulos

2005-06: Helen Lovejoy ♦ Bin Hong Plume ♦ J. Marie Hicks

2004-05: Emily Anderson ♦ Cyndy Hall

2003-04: Jacqueline Asher ♦ Mary Cummins ♦ Christy Russell
Jequetta Bellard ♦ Linda Ann Drake

2002-03: Kendall Smith ♦ Beth Ptallis ♦ Charlotte More
Yrunda Stampwala

2001-02: Marcia Schaefer ♦ Lisa Cusack ♦ Kristin Brunner
Cassandra VanZandt

2000-01: Tracy Wood ♦ Carol N. Moe

1999-00: Jeanne Cancel-Sikoff ♦ Susan Farley ♦ Orathai Northern

1998-99: Erla Marteinsdottir ♦ Leslie Miller ♦ Sally-Anne Josephson

1997-98: Yvonne Atkinson ♦ Moira Sandrock ♦ Thatcher Carter

1996-97: Cathy Cucinella ♦ Mary E. Mohlenhoff

1995-96: Sandra Kay Baringer ♦ Theresa M. Dolan

1994-95: Cathy Goldberg ♦ Riva Williams

1993-94: Leslie Reilly ♦ Kate Watt

1992-93: Carol Henderson ♦ Leslie Reilly

Kristine M. Scarano Memorial Endowed Scholarship



ENGLISH MAJORS

Do you need financial assistance with your education?
Are you committed to Peace, Social Justice, and Feminist Concerns?
Then you should consider applying for

Kristine M. Scarano Memorial Endowed Scholarship in English

This competition for financial support is open to both undergraduate and graduate English Majors at the University of California, Riverside. The Committee will look with favor upon applicants who are committed to those ideas of peace, social justice, and feminist concerns for which Kris stood and worked. Among the other criteria the Scholarship Committee shall judge in selecting scholars are a desire to complete a degree in English, potential to contribute to the school and community, financial need, and academic achievement.

Applications should take the form of a letter to the Committee. Applicants should describe their past careers and their future plans, and should give some indication of how their qualifications address the criteria outlined above. Letters should be sent to:

The Kristine M. Scarano Memorial Endowed Scholarship
Department of English
University of California, Riverside
Riverside, CA 92521-0329

The deadline for the application is **May 16, 2008**. The Committee will evaluate all applications. The 2008-2009 Kristine M. Scarano Scholars will be announced in June.

VITAE

Born June 6, 1950 in Pasadena, TX, Kris was the second eldest of six children, comprised of three daughters and three sons of Josephine and Vincent Scarano. Her primary and secondary school education was received in Roswell, NM; Spokane, WA; and Omaha, NE. The voracious reading habit she developed at a tender age served her in good stead when at age six she was diagnosed with a heart defect requiring extensive hospitalization, bed rest, and revolutionary open heart surgery at age eight.

Despite frequent absenteeism from class due to illness in those primary grades, Kris was able to maintain the pace in class subject matter largely due to her reading aptitude and perseverance.

Her family's final military move in the summer of 1968 brought Kris to Riverside, CA. After arriving here, she worked at a fast food service, as a clerk for J.C. Penney, and as a Social Service Worker for Riverside County.

A renewed interest toward furthering her education occurred sometime during this stage of her life, and Kris enrolled at Riverside Community College. She continued this process at UCR, doing undergraduate and graduate work in the field of English Literature. As a doctoral candidate her dissertation centered on Joseph Conrad.

Despite a hectic schedule including not only the goal of a doctoral degree. Kris also held the position of Lecturer. Her extra-curricular activities included: jogging, ballet, gardening, nature in general, and always the concerns of people. She was a staunch supporter of women's rights and staunch opponent of military involvement in the Middle East. She was an active member of several organizations dedicated to peace and justice. Kris made a special difference because she lived her life with purpose and meaning; and she did so with much gentleness, strength, and conviction.

Although she experienced increasing health problems due to heart arrhythmia, her passion for those social concerns and extraordinary passion for life did not diminish even to the very end, February 24, 1991.

Kris was awarded Doctor of Philosophy posthumously.

Collage created by Mark Schooley in 1991:
Across the Bridge Where Angels Dwell, Children Play (for Kris)