Omega Nu announces scholarship winners

This year, Omega Nu was able to fund 30 new scholarships and 21 renewal scholarships totalling $55,000. The money will help the following students attend colleges and universities next fall:

Aptos High School: Crystal Gonzalez-Fernandez, Maria Hernandez, Vanessa Ramos-Rocha, and Rwen Reyes;
Cypress Charter High School: Gillian Allen, Zachary Elliott;
Harbor High School: Samuel Au, Brigitte Canseco, Joseph Wolsky;
Santa Cruz High School: Sarina Fernandez, Melissa Garcia, Heather Henry, Austin Park;
San Lorenzo Valley High School: Theresa Bustamante, Corrina Bazzano, Hailey Holm, Jessica Patterson, Leah Verner, Lauren Wood;
Scotts Valley High School: Oceanah Munson;
Soquel High School: Xiomara Delgado, Jae Oh, Zuleica Montserrat Rodriguez, Colin Taub;
Cabrillo College: Alisa Allen, June House, Colleen Logan, Elda Meza, Martha Rocha, Nicole Sanguinetti.

Funding for the scholarships was raised through two annual fundraising events—a rummage sale in October and the Ducky Derby held in April.

Artwork featured in congressional contest

Artwork by Mount Madonna School seventh-graders Ruby Bracher, Sienna Clifton and Sydney Ota appeared in the 2013 Congressional Competition, “An Artistic Discovery,” held earlier this week in Watsonville and organized by District 20 Congressman Sam Farr, the democrat out of Carmel.

The artwork featured were: “I Can Breathe Glitter Now,” pencil and glitter on paper, by Bracher; “The Dead Flower,” watercolor and Sharpie on paper by Clifton; and “My Hand,” pencil drawing on paper by Ota.

Each Congressional district has the option of hosting such a competition and choosing one winning entry to be exhibited in the halls of the U.S. Capitol in Washington.

The competition was open to all high school students and some seventh- and eighth-graders in Farr's district. Twenty-two entries from eight schools on the Central Coast were received and judged by Tobin Keller, instructor of art, gallery director and co-chair program at Cabrillo College.

Summer jazz camp starts June 17

The 2013 Summer Jazz Camp will be from June 17-27 at Cabrillo College, 6500 Soquel Drive.

Under the direction of Steve Wilson and Terrel Eaton, young musicians will be able to explore the world of jazz, including live performance, basic improvisation, theory, soloing concepts and phrasing, along with jazz history and appreciation.

A grand finale concert performance will wrap up the camp 6:30 p.m., Thursday, June 27 on the famous Kuumbwa Jazz stage.

Youths entering eighth and ninth grade will attend camp from 9 a.m. to noon. Those entering 10th through 12 grades will attend from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Tuition is $275. The deadline to enroll is Monday, June 3. For information, visit kuumbwajazz.org.