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The Founders Scholarship Fund 2023 Annual Holiday Scholars Luncheon

(Naples, FL – January 6, 2024) The Founders Scholarship Fund (FSF) held their Annual Holiday Scholars Luncheon on December 28 at Club Pelican Bay. Scholarship recipients who were home for the holidays joined members of the Founders Fund Board of Directors and FSF mentors for the annual event to celebrate the accomplishments of each student.

Founders Fund students currently attending colleges across the country and receiving Founders Fund scholarships now number 112, and out of that number, 35 students were able to be in attendance for the special luncheon.

As the luncheon began, students were welcomed by Pat Chadwick, Founders Scholarship Fund Chair, and a current FSF mentor. After lunch, each student was asked to give an update about their areas of study and career aspirations. Degrees being sought are varied from space engineers, pre-med, artificial intelligence to nursing, marketing, and more.

The Founders Scholarship Fund is a local 501 (c)3 non-profit organization that awards renewable scholarships to local students who have shown determination, academic achievements, and financial need to pursue a college education. Scholarships began 1991 as \$2,000 per year scholarships but with the hard work of the FSF donors and board members, each new scholarship is \$6,000 per year amounting to a \$24,000 scholarship to total over four years.

Since the organization was founded in 1991 by golf members of Club Pelican Bay, FSF has awarded over \$6 million in scholarships to more than 800 Collier County students. Scholarships are non-restrictive and are given to help students with college and post-high-school educational expenses. Students receive the renewable scholarships with the agreement they are a full-time student and maintain a B average or better in their college studies.

For more information about scholarships or sponsorships, contact Stacy Lee-Williams, FSF Director at 239-593-0124 or visit www.TheFoundersScholarshipFund.org.