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**SDCWA Awards \$9,000 in Scholarships to Local High School Students**

**San Diego, CA (June 2, 2009)** -- The San Diego Chinese Women's Association (SDCWA) congratulates six local high school students who were recently awarded a total of \$9,000 in academic merit scholarships. Each student received \$1,500 to use for expenses at the college or university of his or her choice. SDCWA Scholarship Committee chairperson, Margaret Wing-Peterson, said, "We received numerous submissions from very bright students across San Diego County. We were extremely pleased by the quality of the applications. The recipients all showed excellence in their academic achievement and in their commitment to the greater community."

The 2008-2009 SDCWA scholarship recipients represent all of San Diego county, including the following high schools: La Jolla High School (2), Poway High School, Rancho Buena Vista High School, Scripps Ranch High School, and Torrey Pines High School.

Each year, the SDCWA awards thousands of dollars in academic scholarships to young men and women living in San Diego County. Applicants must be graduating seniors of a San Diego County school and be of at least one-quarter Chinese descent with a minimum weighted grade point average of 3.0 and plans for further formal education. The scholarship application is posted on the SDCWA website, <http://www.sdcwa.net>, at the beginning of the academic year. The deadline for submission is early spring, with awards announced before the end of the school year. All eligible students are encouraged to apply.

**ABOUT SDCWA** -- The San Diego Chinese Women's Association was founded in 1981 as the San Diego Chinese Women's Club, a non-profit organization. Its mission is to promote public awareness, understanding, and appreciation of the Chinese culture, including Chinese history, art, literature, customs and traditions; to assist and support other charitable organizations which provide relief and services to the Chinese community in particular, and to other groups as the membership decides; and to encourage the pursuit of higher education by members of the Chinese community through scholarship awards. Membership is open to any person interested in furthering the purposes of the organization.