



PRESIDENT KRIS

On behalf of myself, Treasurer Danelle, and Directors: Billie, Dana, Laurie, Laura and Angie, we thank you for your continued support of Founder Region Fellowship.

For the newer members here today, Fellowship is the identifying project of Founder Region, and our mission is recognizes the value of empowering highly motivated women engaged in academic research in fields such as: science, technology, education, the climate, women's health and all things affecting women and girls' quality of life. Our theme for this biennium is "Bee" the Dream Through Education.

These women are doing ground breaking research and breaking down glass ceilings in their male dominated fields. Members in Founder Region have been empowering these women since 1948 and we hope will continue to support our mission for many years to come.

2023 Recipient: Jasmine Jan



Jasmine Jan

Electrical Engineering & Computer Sciences

University of California, Berkeley

Dissertation: Green Solvents for Printed

Organic Photovoltaics



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Instead of us telling you about the impact of the Fellowship Program, we are excited to have one of our 2023 Fellowship Recipients here with us today. Jasmine Jan is a UC Berkeley doctoral student in the fields of **Electrical Engineering & Computer Sciences**.

Jasmine was named after the female protagonist in her brother's favorite movie, *Aladdin*. Often her days involve crawling into tight spaces to repair pressurized gloveboxes, writing code for data analysis, and changing the oil of vacuum pumps. Hardly your stereotypical Disney princess. As a mentor to several undergrads, Jasmine provides valuable guidance and support when facing the unique challenges that come with navigating this male dominated field.

Jasmine was not able to attend our conference last May, so she is here to tell you about her research, future plans and what it meant to receive a Fellowship grant.

JASMINE SPEAKS



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Founder Region Fellowship is almost completely supported financially by our members so I want to share with you all the ways your can ensure Fellowship is around for the next 75 years.

CLUB SUPPORT

- Club Budget
 - \$1,000/year - name a Fellow
 - \$500/year - name a Fellow every 2 years
- In Memory of Donation
- In Honor of Donation
 - milestone anniversaries
 - special recognition
 - Honoring your board members
- Fun Run - organize team



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Here are the ways your club can support our mission.

- Make Fellowship contributions a line item in your Club Budget so you can name a Fellow annually or bi-annually.
 - \$1,000/year and name a Fellow every year
 - \$500/year and name a Fellow every 2 years
 - Budget for more than one Fellow/year to honor more members.
 - Donate any amount in honor of your board members for their service. We will track their account

- Update your bylaws to make Fellowship your “charity of choice” for memorial contributions for members and their immediate families.
- Honor your members with donations to Fellowship for club milestone anniversaries and special recognitions.
- Recruit members for your club team to support the Fellowship Fun Run in April. This is an annual event and is a big money maker for Fellowship.

The more you talk about and support Fellowship, the more your members will find value in our mission.

MEMBER SUPPORT

- \$1,000 Donation - Become a Fellow
- Sign up for Monthly Giving
 - minimum \$25 pledge
 - \$25 discount- only \$975
- Donate “In Memory/Honor of”
- Support Fellowship Raffle
- Support Fellowship Sales
- Join Club Team - Fun Run
- Facebook Birthday Fundraiser



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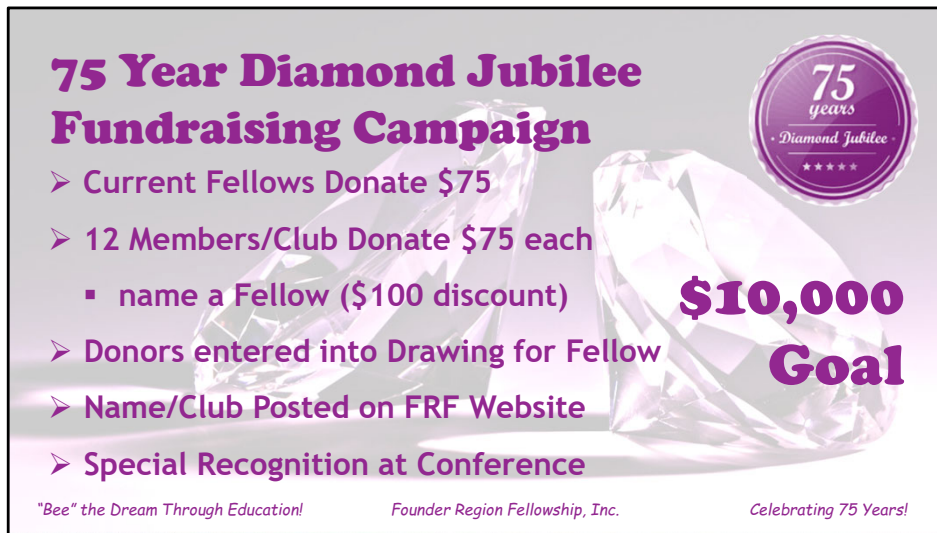
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Our members can support Fellowship in these following ways:

- Make a \$1,000 Donation to become a Fellow or level up, but if that is not in your budget..
- Sign up for Monthly Giving. With a minimum \$25 pledge, you get a \$25 discount so only pay \$975 to become a Fellow, or level up. **We also have a special gift for you if you sign up today!**
- Donate “In Memory/Honor of” – make Fellowship your “Charity of Choice” in memory or in honor of your loved ones.
- Support the Fellowship Raffle at this District Meeting by

buying chances to win a prize.

- Support Fellowship Sales – visit our table to buy bee earrings, bee zippered bags, and SI Pin brooches.
- Join Your Club Team to participate in the Fellowship Fun Run in April. Solicit pledges from family, friends, or work colleagues
- Hold a Birthday Fundraiser on Facebook to solicit donations from family and friends.



75 Year Diamond Jubilee Fundraising Campaign

- Current Fellows Donate \$75
- 12 Members/Club Donate \$75 each
 - name a Fellow (\$100 discount)
- Donors entered into Drawing for Fellow
- Name/Club Posted on FRF Website
- Special Recognition at Conference

\$10,000 Goal

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Last year we launched the 75 Year Diamond Jubilee Fundraising Campaign and raised over \$10,000 additionally from member donations. We are continuing this campaign for another year and hope to raise another \$10,000 to fund our Fellowship grants.

- Donate \$75 or more toward this campaign.
- If at least 12 of your club members each donate \$75, whether they are a Fellow or not, your club can name a Fellow, which is a discount of \$100. Now if your club already budgets to name a Fellow every year, we hope that you will do this in addition to the individual member donations.
- Last year's donations count toward the club so if you fell short of the 12 needed last year, you still have time. Members can donate more than once and will be counted toward this

incentive.

- All donors over the biennium will be entered into a drawing to win a Fellow (or level up), be posted on a special Anniversary Page on the Fellowship Website and receive Special Recognition at the 2024 Founder Region Conference In May.

You can start supporting this campaign today, just visit our table to donate your \$75. This is also a great idea as a Holiday/Birthday gift idea for the person who has everything. Donate \$75.00 or more in their name to Fellowship and we will send them a special donor recognition postcard. We hope we can count on you!



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February is designated as “Fun for Fellowship” Month to raise awareness and educate your members about our program.

We have several ways you can have fun and participate in Fellowship activities in February.

Club Participation

- Invite Fellowship Director
- Fellowship Presentation
- Plan Club Fundraiser
- “Fun for Fellowship” Calendar Game



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- Plan now to invite your Fellowship Director to attend your club meeting in February to talk about Fellowship. First come, first served in reserving a date. Directors will be visiting all clubs throughout the biennium and we look forward to sharing our passion for Fellowship with all your club members.
- Of course, our directors will not be able to visit all their clubs in February, so we will be providing you with a PowerPoint presentation on Fellowship that you can present at your club meeting to educate your members about the Region’s Identifying Project.

- Plan a Club Fundraiser on your own and donate the proceeds to Fellowship. How about Bunko or Bingo? Plan a social and have some fun while supporting Fellowship.
- We will also be providing you with a “Fun for Fellowship” Calendar game that members can refer to every day during February and donate the recommended amount.
- But wait, there more...

**“Fun for Fellowship”
Region Event**

- Enter to Win \$1,000
- Attend Virtual Event
- Fellowship Bingo
- Win Instant Prizes
- Past Recipients



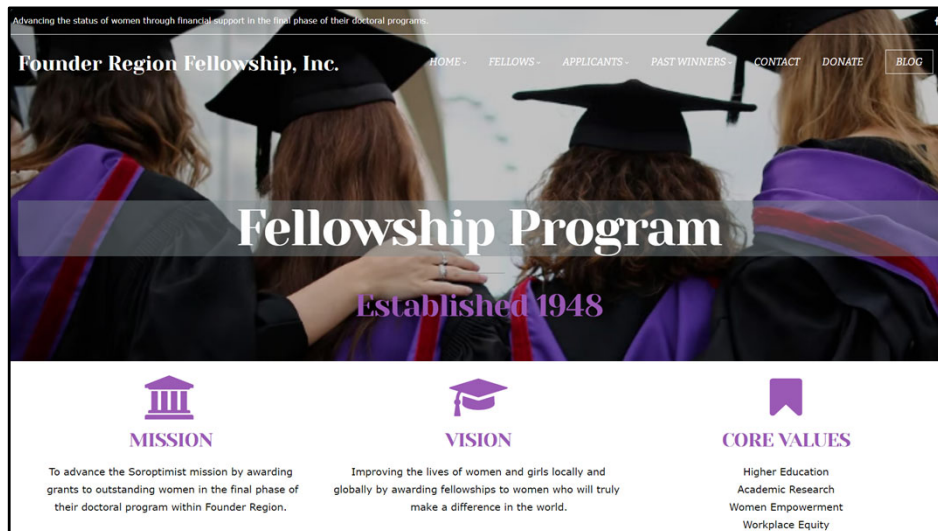
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The Fellowship Board will be holding a region-wide Zoom event for “Fun for Fellowship” in February.

- Attend the Virtual Event to support Fellowship.
- Play Fellowship Bingo to win instant prizes and learn about all things Fellowship.
- Hear from past Fellowship recipients.

So, we hope you will join us in the fun and support Fellowship in February.



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We want to remind you to visit the Fellowship website to learn more and to find all the resources you need to support Fellowship – www.FounderRegionFellowship.org

On the **Fellows Page**, you can also access a list of which members in your club are Fellows.

The **Resources Page** has donation forms, presentations, fellow levels, monthly pledge form, “Fun for Fellowship” calendar and more.

Be sure to check out the **Blog Page**, which has important info on fundraisers, events, and special promotions.

Consider running for the Fellowship Board

- President - Past Governor or served on Fellowship Board within last 6 years
- Treasurer - past president and have accounting experience
- Director - past president



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We want to encourage you to run for the Fellowship Board for the 2024-2026 biennium. It is a wonderful experience and so fulfilling to meet the students who are changing the world through their research and careers.

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Your Fellowship board is hard at work to ensure we continue to be valuable, forward thinking, and successful in supporting our Soroptimist mission.

We want to thank you for your continued support and we look forward to a fun and successful biennium as we celebrate our 75 years of empowering women who will truly make a difference in the world.

Please remember to come and visit us at our table today and thank your continuing to support Founder Region Fellowship!