



# Fall 2019

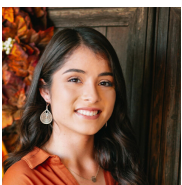
*Quarterly Newsletter*

## CONGRATULATIONS ALEX!

Alex Iniakov, Junior at Stevenson School and long-time member of The First Tee of Monterey (TFTMC) represented our chapter at the PURE Insurance Championship, benefitting The First Tee. Alex was one of 78 participants to play the annual tournament, which took place September 24th to 29th. Alex, who plans to play golf at a Division I college next year, has been dreaming of playing at the PURE Insurance Championship since first attending The First Tee in 2009. Congratulations, Alex! You embody the Nine Core Values and are an excellent example of the youth in our community!



## JOHN ZOLLER SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS ANNOUNCED



Karina Aguirre

Freshmen Karina Aguirre and Tara Birgani have been awarded the 2019 John Zoller Scholarship. Both Karina and Tara have been active TFTMC participants and serve as excellent examples of how the Golf and Life Skills Experience can impact youth lives. Karina and Tara are currently in their first year of UCLA and Cal Poly San Luis Obispo, respectively. Congratulations, Karina and Tara!



Tara Birgani

## Our Quarterly Impact at a Glance



**232**

The number of 4th-7th grade classes participating in The First Tee of Monterey County's (TFTMC) daytime program for 2019-2020!



**67**

Current number of Pay It Forward Scholars for the 2019-2020 school year. Of the 67, three are studying abroad in England and Japan.



**45**

Chess Club hours between July and October 2019. This fall, a Girls Only Chess class has been added during after-school activities.





Left: FCF participants attending the Family Fun Zone on September 29th.  
Right: FCF Standard Bearers for the PURE Insurance Championship.

## 2019 PURE INSURANCE CHAMPIONSHIP

Participants, volunteers, and supporters of all three of the Future Citizens Foundation's (FCF) programs were present during the week of the PURE Insurance Championship, a PGA Tour Championship event:

- Alex Iniakov represented TFTMC as one of 78 players.
- Alex won \$20,00 in STEM scholarships for youth in the Chevron Shoot-Out for STEM Scholars.
- FCF recipient of a \$30,000 Chevron Eagles for Education Grant.
- Board members Geoff Couch, David Gill, Mike Winer, and Julie Wirth participated in the championship, each playing with a PGA Tour Champion.
- Students of Natividad Elementary showed their support of Alex by attending the championship on Friday, September 27th.
- Family Fun Day field trip on Sunday, September 29th with 10 families attending.
- TFTMC participants served as Standard Bearers from September 27th, through 29th.

## SUMMER CAMP 2019



Over 300 participants enjoyed eight weeks of summer camp activities, Golf and Life Skills Experience, STEM, academic enrichment, special guests, and field trips. More than \$13,000 in scholarships were granted. For more information, check out the 2019 Summer Camp Impact report [here](#).

## Upcoming Events

- November 1st - *The First Tee of Monterey County 15th Anniversary*
- November 11th - *Annual Campaign Begins*
- November 25th to 27th - *Fall Break Camp*
- December 7th - *Volunteer Appreciation Celebration*
- December 12th - *Deadline to nominate students for Pay It Forward Program*
- March 23rd - *Z-Gals Invitational*

Check out all of our upcoming events and activities at [www.fcf-ca.org](http://www.fcf-ca.org)!

## BOOTS, BOTTLES, & BBQ



Over \$625,000 raised for the 8th annual Boots, Bottles, & BBQ (BB&B) event, held on September 7, 2019! Thank you to all our sponsors, vendors, and attendees for a great night! For more information about the 2019 BB&B and for event photos, please check out [www.fcf-ca.org/bbb](http://www.fcf-ca.org/bbb).

## NOMINATE A HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR FOR THE PAY IT FORWARD SCHOLARSHIP & MENTORING PROGRAM!

The 2020 Pay It Forward Scholarship & Mentoring Program nomination season is upon us. If you know a Monterey County high school senior that may be attending CSU Monterey Bay and is a first-generation college student, go to our website and complete the [nomination form](#). Participants must be a U.S. Citizen or Permanent Resident and have resided in Monterey County for at least the past five years. The program's support includes a mentor, monthly meetings, and a \$20,000 scholarship.

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