## **Hadwick & Lily Thompson Scholarship**

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The Hadwick and Lily Thompson Scholarship award winners for 2012 are sisters Anne Julliene "Joan" Barcelona and Anne Jilliane "Jill" Barcelona – commonly known as Joan and Jill.

Joan and Jill came to America from the Philippines with their family of five in 2003. From early on Joan and Jill set the example for their peers as they dealt with acclimating to the American culture and learning the English language, while consistently maintaining academic honors. They have demonstrated outstanding initiative and drive as evident in their many accomplishments while attending Alameda High. They graduated in the top percentile of a class of 457 students – earning academic "A" student awards by maintaining a 4.0 G.P.A or higher for 7 consecutive semesters.

Both Joan and Jill devote much of their time giving back, educating the community on disaster preparation and safety fundamentals; are members of the student body government, honor societies, volunteer outreach committees, serve in leadership roles in many other extra-curricular activities; and, have been volunteers at the Alameda Red Cross chapter for several years.



As a result of their enormous ambition, these two exceptional ladies are both recipients of several other high profile scholarships and personal awards; and, the National Naval Officers Association proudly awards \$1,000 dollars to Joan Barcelona and Jill Barcelona for their outstanding academic achievement and dedication to community outreach in the Alameda community.

The chapter would like to express appreciation to CDR Matthew Wadleigh and LCDR Erin Alder for their diligence in the execution of the 2012 scholarship program – Bravo Zulu!



## Anne Julliene "Joan" Barcelona

- Very active with the Alameda Red Cross 5-year relations since middle school
- Serves as the Co-President of the Alameda High School Red Cross Club
- Accepted into a mentorship program at Stanford University
  Phoenix Scholars
- An Academic "A" recipient earned 4.0 grade point average for seven (7) consecutive semesters
- Accepted and will be attend the University of California, Berkeley in the fall
- 2011 Accounting Career Awareness program recipient
- President of the Red Cross Youth Engaged in Service Team
- Alameda High Leadership Class Co-Senate Secretary of the Diversity Committee
- Editor of the Girls Incorporate of the Island City (GIIC) only teen magazine OutLOUD summer activity assistant
- Volunteered as summer intern for GIIC's first Eureka! teen achievement program
- One of 50 students to chosen to participate in the Asian Pacific Youth Project
- Alameda High School Women's Varsity Tennis Team
- Ranked 20 out of 457 students
- Interested in the business & economic fields

## Anne Jilliane "Jill" Barcelona

- Very active with the Alameda Red Cross 5-year relations since middle school
- Serves as the Co-President of the Alameda High School Red Cross Club
- Academic "A" recipient earned 4.0 grade point average for seven (7) consecutive semesters
- Accepted and will be attend the University of California, Berkeley in the fall
- Student body Government Student Liaison to the PTA, School Site Council, and the School Board
- Mentor to middle school girls participating in STEM courses and activities
- Member of the Youth Engaged in Service Team
- Member of the Youth Executive Board
- Aspiring writer contributes to articles in the TeenZine and OutLOUD magazines
- Devoted plethora volunteer hours planning eight (8) separate annual American Red Cross Bay Area Summer Leadership Development Camps
- Alameda High School Women's Varsity Tennis Team, French Club, Roots & Shoots Club
- Honor Society California Scholarship Foundation
- Ranked 11 out of 457 students
- Interested in business aspires to start own business someday