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Abraham Lincoln Designated Scholarships

Abraham Lincoln Combined Classes of 1929 and 1979

This scholarship was established in 1979 as the Class of 1929 celebrated the 50th class reunion. The class of 1979 invited the class of 1929 to be their guests for a day at the then new Abraham Lincoln High School. A special relationship was forged. Their combined efforts created this scholarship fund.

Criteria:

- **1 @ \$250.00**
- May attend any post-secondary school (not necessarily college or university)
- Special consideration given to middle income families

Robert & Karen Capel Memorial Scholarship (one for each school)

Friends and family established the Robert Capel Memorial Scholarship in memory of Robert Capel, who was a long-time educator in the Council Bluffs Schools. His wife, Karen passed away in 2014 and was added to the scholarship memorial in 2015. Criteria:

- **1 \$500.00 scholarship**
- GPA 3.0-3.70
- Involved in 2 *unrelated* extra-curricular activities for 2 or more years
And held a position of leadership for at least 1 year.
- Active in community or religious organizations, or part-time work for 2 or more years
- Attend college, university or trade school
- Require 3 letters of reference: 1 from an academic teacher, 1 from activity sponsor, & 1 from community member

Stuart and Martha E Currie Scholarship Fund

Mrs. Currie was a 1924 graduate of Abraham Lincoln High School. She was a first grade teacher in the Council Bluffs Schools from 1935 to 1941 and again from 1947 to 1971. During her 30-year tenure with the Council Bluffs Schools, she served children at Second Avenue, Dodge and Washington Elementary Schools.

Criteria:

- **Amount based on interest income**
- Scholarship to be given to worthy and low income students who would not otherwise be able to attend college for financial reasons.

National Honor Society Hall of Fame Scholarship - 4 year program:

This scholarship, which was created by Hall of Fame and National Honor Society members, is awarded annually to a graduating NHS senior from A.L. High School. Criteria:

- **The scholarship is for \$1,500 each year for up to 4 years while pursuing a degree.**
- Must be a member of AL National Honor Society
- Must enroll in a 4-year college or university
- **Students must submit grades & next year's schedule annually to NHS_HOF committee to receive next installment**

National Honor Society Hall of Fame Committee to decide winners

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NHS_HOF Committee will notify CEF to approve additional installments

National Honor Society Hall of Fame Scholarship - 2 year program:

- **\$1,000.00 award each year for 2 years**
- NHS Senior attending Iowa Western Community College in an accredited 2 year program
- Must be a member of AL National Honor Society
- **Students must submit grades & next year's schedule annually to NHS_HOF committee to receive next installment**

Thomas C. Hickey and Getrude H. Hickey Charitable Trust

This scholarship is to be used for one or more students each year. The scholarship may be used at any college chosen by the recipient. The students will be selected by the principal of the school and/or a scholarship committee selected by the principal. Criteria:

- **Two scholarships will be awarded for \$1,250.00 each, renewable for three years while pursuing a degree**
- Financial need for scholarship/low income
- Preferred (not mandatory) that students be pursuing career in journalism or communication
- **Students must submit grades and next year's schedule to CEF Scholarship Committee to receive the next installment. bchristensen1@cb-cef.org**

Seth T. Hills Memorial Scholarship

Seth Hills graduated from Abraham Lincoln in 1939 and served as an English teacher at AL for 16 years. As a memorial, students, faculty and friends contributed to a scholarship fund. Criteria:

- **One scholarship for \$100 for academic advancement**
- **One Scholarship for \$100 for further training in the vocational area**

John R. and Bianca M. McComb Memorial Scholarship

This scholarship was created by Bianca McComb, an English teacher in memory herself and of her father, John McComb, a mathematics teacher.

Criteria:

- **Scholarship amount based on interest earned**
- For students intending to enroll in college, university or other institution of higher education
- Grant based on financial need/low income family
- Personal character
- Scholastic ability

Michael Miller Scholarship

Michael Miller was a student who graduated in 1977. He drowned in a swimming accident 2 weeks after graduating. He played football, basketball & baseball and was co-recipient of the Roy Lawson Male Athlete of the Year Award. Michael had outstanding character and was kind to everyone.

Criteria:

- **Scholarship is \$500**
- Multi Sport Athlete
- Excelled at their sport while exhibiting a positive attitude in life and sportsmanship
- Good Character – respectful of all others

Henry K and Laura May Peterson Memorial Scholarship

Henry graduated from Council Bluffs High School in 1903 and Laura May, his wife, in 1909. Mr. Peterson was a practicing attorney in Council Bluffs from 1908 until his appointment as a Justice of the Iowa Supreme Court in 1955. One of his great interests locally was in public education, having served as a member and president of the Council Bluffs School Board. Because of personal physical limitations he had a deep interest and concern in those with physical handicaps and he served as member and president for many years of the Pottawattamie County Crippled Children's Society. His wife shared this interest with him. Criteria:

- **Scholarship amount based on interest earned**
- Career in education or to work with special needs children
- Special education majors given 1st consideration; education majors with physical handicap given 2nd consideration; education majors with financial need/low income given 3rd consideration

Richard & Joyce Schoeppner Memorial Scholarship for Vocational/Technical Education

Mrs. Joyce Schoeppner and Ms. Diane Ostrowski originally established this scholarship in the spring of 2000 in the memory of their beloved husband and father. Mr. Schoeppner was a social studies teacher and guidance counselor at Abraham Lincoln High School for 37 years. He exhibited dedication to his work and true concern for young people every day. Mrs. Schoeppner was a high school English teacher who was devoted to educating students and encouraging them to further their post high school education and training. Criteria:

- **Two scholarships at \$500 or one scholarship at \$1,000**
- Student planning a career in a vocational-technical area

Harold W and Bernice B. Smith Memorial Scholarship

This scholarship was established by Bernice Smith who wanted to leave money for "needy students" attending Abraham Lincoln. Bernice graduated from A.L. in 1929, and Harold graduated in 1931. Their son, Robert, graduated in the class of 1951. Criteria:

- **Scholarship is for \$500**
- Must show financial need/income based
- Must be an "A" or "B" student
- Must pursue education in a "helping" profession (ie: teacher, nurse, counselor, etc.)

Arlene Denton Chapp Scholarship

This scholarship was established in 1981 from the estate of Arlene Denton Chapp. Ms. Chapp was an educator who taught in Wyoming, Illinois and at the old McMillan School and Hoover School in Council Bluffs. During World War II she worked with the U.S.O. and after her retirement, she worked as a volunteer in the Veteran's Hospital, and was active in the retired teachers association, the American Legion Auxiliary and the First Presbyterian Church.

Criteria:

- **One scholarship at \$500**
- Strong academic student
- Financial need/low income
- Must attend a college or university in IOWA

Torrance A. Supernois Memorial Scholarship

This scholarship was established to honor Torrance (Ted) Supernois who was born in Elgin, Oregon in 1898. He moved to Council Bluffs as a youth and attended school. He served with the US Marine Corp in World War I. He played semi-pro baseball for a number of years with various Omaha and area teams in the 1920's-1930's. He generally was a pitcher but was also a good hitter. He met his wife, Jennie, when his team played in North Dakota. They married and lived their lives in Council Bluffs. Torrance also played semi-pro basketball during this same time period. When he got older and was no longer playing, he coached American Legion high school baseball for many years. Criteria:

- **Two scholarships for \$500 each – one to girl and one to boy**
- Must have GPA of at least 2.5
- Must attend an **IOWA** university, college, area community college, technical or business school
- Must have been on the AL baseball/softball team
- Good team member with good sportsmanship
- *Financial need*
- Baseball/Softball at collegiate level not necessary but encouraged

Scheibler Memorial Scholarship

Donald Scheibler, better known as “Scheib” devoted 41 years of his life to teaching Latin & English at Abraham Lincoln High School. Former students & colleagues remember him as a great teacher and friend. Scheib had a real passion for kids. He cared about their learning both in and out of the classroom, and brought humor to those around him. Criteria:

- **1 \$500 scholarship**
- Student who understands how furthering education can improve their life
- Student who loves to learn for the sake of learning – show potential to be a life long learner
- Preference given to student who as dealt effectively with adversity

Jacob R. Hemmingsen Memorial Scholarship

Jacob Hemmingsen was a young and gifted aspiring musician, among his other creative assets. He lost his life while completing his senior studies in the Council Bluffs school district, the summer of 2008. His short life touched many around him with his musical and artistic talents. His friends and family established this scholarship in his loving memory to help further a young person's education interest majoring in art or music.

- **1 \$500 scholarship**
- music or art major (any arts, including drama, speech, culinary, graphic, etc.).
- ability and desire primary factors
- any higher learning facility
- **ESSAY: Answer the following question:**

“If you were to leave this earth today, what legacy would you leave?”

AL Class of 1958 Scholarship

Set up by the Class of 1958 AL Alumni. Criteria:

- **1 \$1,000 scholarship**
- 2.50 GPA or higher
- Attending any 2, 3 or 4 year program, including beauty school
- Great desire to further education

Pearl Sivey Scholarship

Mrs. Sivey set up a scholarship fund for students of Abraham Lincoln and Thomas Jefferson High Schools, with a scholarship awarded alternating years to each school. Mrs. Sivey lived her adult life in Council Bluffs. She was a homemaker who had an interest in the education of Council Bluffs student and the welfare of young people. Criteria:

- **Amount based on interest earned**
- One scholarship awarded every other year (one year to an AL senior and the next year to a TJ senior) Even years to A.L. and odd years to T.J

Masako From ALHS Math Scholarship:

Steve From provides \$500.00 each year to the top math student in honor of his mother.

Criteria:

- **1 \$500 award each year**
- Must submit a letter of reference in sealed envelopes, preferably from the student's math teacher

Merrill Tronson Scholarship:

Merrill Tronson served Council Bluffs Schools first as a Handicapped teacher at Kirn Middle School. He then served many years as guidance counselor at Washington and primarily at Longfellow Elementary. He loved helping students. Criteria:

- **\$500.00 scholarship each year to AL graduate**
- Attended Longfellow Elementary
- 2.5 GPA or higher
- Any post educational school or program (college, tech, beauty, etc...)
- **ESSAY:** *"How Mr. Tronson or another counselor impacted your life in a positive way & about your major."*

Carol Murray Memorial Scholarship

Carol Murray attended Abraham Lincoln high school and then taught senior English at AL for 33 Years. She passed away after her fight with cancer in August of 2009. Her aunt, Nadine Pavik, initiated this scholarship in Carol's honor.

- **2 \$500.00 scholarships**
- Pursuing the field of education

ALHS Fine Arts Legacy Scholarship

In 2007 the ALHS Alumni from 1970-1979 who were involved in the fine arts activities held a reunion and raised enough money to initiate a scholarship. This scholarship is issued in honor of AL 1970's teachers Lee Spann, Jim Misner, John Gibson, and Clarence Smelser who provided inspirational leadership to their many talented students. **Criteria:**

- **1 \$500.00 Scholarship awarded each year**
- Student must have exhibited, while at AL, leadership in the Fine Arts area - not always the lead in a musical, or best singer or instrumentalist. Rather it is the student who has given hours of time, energy and commitment to the Fine Arts program at AL. Even someone who goes unheralded for the behind the scenes involvement.
- *Recommendations from ALHS Fine Arts staff*

Gunn Elementary Scholarship

Gunn Elementary closed its doors after the end of the 2010/2011 school year. This scholarship was established by several Gunn faculty members in honor of the generations of Gunn families and faculty.

Criteria:

- **1 \$1,000 Scholarship awarded to student at AL, TJ, LC or SA**
- Need to have previously attended Gunn elementary
- Good work ethic
- Involved in extra curricular activities or community activities
- Essay 300-500 words (see application for requirements)
- 2 letters of recommendation
- **DEADLINE Applications due to school office no later than April 18, 2017**

Rosemary Waldmann Scholarship:

Alyce Rosemary (Wilmes) Waldmann is an AL graduate who devoted her life to her nursing career.

Criteria:

- **1 \$500.00 scholarship**
- GPA 3.5 or higher
- ACT 28 or SAT 1320
- Exceptionally strong grades in math and science
- Heavy course load in the sciences
- Entering accredited nursing program
- 3 letters of recommendations
- Consistency and Commitment in participating high school activities

Grant Hamilton Memorial Scholarship

Paul & Eva Hamilton have established this scholarship in honor of their son Grant, who passed away much too early in his life. Our family, including children and grandchildren, attended & graduated from Council Bluffs Schools, where we all received a very fine education. We know that Grant would also have succeeded if he had had the opportunity of a good education. The Hamiltons want to do something for students who want to attend college in the field of accounting and do not have the means to do so. The Grant A. Hamilton Scholarship will start the higher education process for the individual selected.

Criteria:

- 1 \$2,500 Scholarship awarded to a student at AL, TJ or LC
- GPA 3.2 or higher
- Most in need of financial assistance
- ESSAY: 1 page “Why I want to be an accountant or CPA” & where will attend school
- **DEADLINE to turn to school office April 18, 2017.**