



Marshfield Area Community Foundation Scholarship Background

Adam D. Steiner Legacy Memorial Scholarship	This scholarship fund was created in memory of Adam D. Steiner. Adam's true passion surfaced after beginning his career in agricultural technology and robotic dairy farming equipment. His family created this scholarship in Adam's memory to support an educational path for students wanting to advance in the agricultural field. Adam had great respect for the family farm and special consideration will be given to those individuals who grew up on a working farm. He left us far too soon, but we are hoping his legacy will live on for many generations.
Adolph A. Vorba Memorial Scholarship	Beverly and Marvin graduated from MHS in 1960 & 1957 respectfully. Their experience with their teacher, Adolph A. Vorba, was so memorable that they have created a memorial scholarship in his honor. Marvin went on to receive a Ph.D. in mathematics and taught at the University of Miami for over 55 years.
Alex and Geraldine Piotrowski Memorial Scholarship	Established by Geraldine Piotrowski to benefit a student from Pittsville High School who has shown an aptitude for higher learning and demonstrates resourcefulness.
Altrusa International of Marshfield Scholarship	The Altrusa International Club of Marshfield has established a scholarship for non-traditional students from the Marshfield area.
Anne V. Adler Nursing Scholarship	This scholarship was established in Anne Adler's estate to benefit a nursing student in the school of Nursing at UW-Eau Claire or from UWSP at Marshfield or Mid State Technical College. This scholarship may be renewed once.
Arlan and Priscilla Ferch Scholarship	Arlan and Priscilla Ferch created this scholarship for students attending UW Stevens Point at Marshfield with a preference for those studying theater. Renewable for 1 year.

Bill Burnham Scholarship	This scholarship was set up by James Bokern as a memorial for his stepson, Bill Burnham. This scholarship is for a graduating senior of Marshfield High School recognized for perseverance and scholarship while overcoming challenges.
Bobbie Karlen Memorial Scholarship	Bobbie, a 1970 graduate of Greenwood High School. She then attended the U.W. Eau Claire where she graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree in mathematics. She later obtained her Masters degree in education from the U.W. Stevens Point. Employed by the Marshfield School System from 1976 until her retirement in 2008. During her years in Marshfield she taught at Marshfield Junior High from 1976 until 1994, and then at Marshfield Senior High from 1994 until 2007.
Central Wisconsin Cheesemaker & Buttermakers Scholarship	The Central Wisconsin Cheese & Butter Makers provide scholarships for their employee's families and vendors. The funder would prefer this scholarship be given to students pursuing a degree in dairy science, food science or a related degree. Financial need will be considered. Scholarships can be renewed for an additional year by resubmitting applications.
D. Dale & Mary Jane Seif Scholarship	This scholarship was established by Marilyn Worker to honor her aunt and uncle who owned a farm implement dealership in Neilsville.
Dan Helwig Memorial Scholarship	This scholarship was established to assist someone interested in architectural or design fields to become an architect or designer. Dan had a true natural talent to come up with the best possible structure to fit not only the client's needs but be aesthetically pleasing and stay within their budget.

Daniel Kummer Memorial Scholarship	Dan had a passion for photography/videography. He did work in media directing and producing. He won awards through the Wisconsin Community Media Board for his work taping Marshfield Tigers Football.
David and Waleen Storm Scholarship	Established by the Storms who had long careers in the medical field. They see this scholarship as a way to give back & help students pursuing medical careers. The student must be going to a university in the University of Wisconsin system. Financial need will be considered. This scholarship can be renewed for an additional 3 years.

Deidre Week Scholarship	Memorial scholarship established by the family of Deidre Week. Must have a GPA of 3.2, participate in extra-curricular activities and be going to a technical school or pursuing criminal justice.
Dennis E. Bangart Agricultural Scholarship	This scholarship was created in memory of Dennis Bangart. He had a pure passion for agriculture and poured his heart into volunteering to observe the next generation create similar passions - he felt that,"you just need to plant the seed and youth would grow". Dennis had an undeniable passion for dairy cattle and agriculture. He wore his heart on his sleeve during activities. He enjoyed selling starter project calves to area youth so he could watch them thrive and grow and have the same opportunities he had while growing up.
Dorothy & Alex B. Knox Scholarship	Established by Alex Knox for students of exceptional academic merit.
Dorothy Olson Scholarship	Dorothy Olson set up this fund as a way to help students continue their education. She and her husband retired in Marshfield and were active community members. Preference for this scholarship would be for a student going into healthcare or the trades.
Dr. Roger Van Der Vorste Scholarship	Established by Mrs. Van Der Vorste as a memorial to her husband who was a dentist. Renewable for 1 year.
Dr. Russell F. Lewis Memorial Student Athletic Scholarship	The Family of Dr. Russel F. Lewis established this scholarship for a student-athlete as a memorial to Dr. Lewis.
Fore Bill Memorial Scholarship	Established by Pat Allen as a memorial to her husband, Bill, who was a very active community volunteer who loved music.This scholarship prefers to support students pursuing music, business, finance, marketing, healthcare or a medically related field and have financial need.
Foster Will Memorial Scholarship	Foster Will established this scholarship for a student at Owen-Withee High School who has been accepted at an accredited University or Technical School. The applicant will be judged on academic performance, performance on tests designed to measure ability and aptitude for higher education, recommendations from instructors or other individuals not related to the potential recipient and conclusions drawn from a personal interview. This scholarship is renewable for 3 additional years.
Frautschy-Fredrick Legion Baseball Scholarship	Established by the Marshfield American Legion Baseball to support a player on the Post 54 Baseball Team.

Gordan and Faith Vine Scholarship	Established by the Vine family with proceeds from the Christmas Tree Farm as a way to honor their parents. Gordon & Faith were both teachers and made sure all five children had a college education. This scholarship can be renewed for 3 additional years.
Grace A. Caliebe Scholarship	Established in Grace Caliebe's will for students from Greenwood pursuing a degree in health care, sciences, mathematics, or engineering. This scholarship can be renewed for an additional 4 years.
Harrington Chemistry Scholarship	Chemistry Scholarship for a graduating senior, preferably female, from Marshfield Senior High School, Marshfield, WI.
Harry & Gladys Chronquist Family Scholarship	Established as a bequest of Harry and Gladys Chronquist. This scholarship is for graduates of Marshfield High School planning to attend a university, technical college, or special school. Criteria include scholastic and/or talent and ability, financial need, and personality. The scholarship is renewable for one year.
Heck AJ PEO LeGrand Scholarship	Two funds were combined to deliver a stronger scholarship. The Margy Heck P.E.O.-AJ scholarship was combined with the H.G. Pete & Patrice LeGrand scholarship. Both were designed to benefit a nontraditional student. Combining the scholarships provides a larger scholarship to someone going back to school.
International Studies Scholarship	This scholarship was created by the Marshfield Sister Cities group which will preferably assist a student pursuing a career in International Studies or World Language.
Jacob Navarro Scholarship	Established by the Navarro family as a memorial for Jacob who loved art and died in an ATV accident. For students expressing interest in an art related field. Financial need will be considered.
James Brasington Theater Scholarship	Established as a memorial to James Brasington who loved theater but died too young in a car crash. This scholarship can be renewed for 3 additional years.
Jean Ebbe Visual and Performing Arts Scholarship	Jean's interest in art started in Marshfield during grade school and blossomed her junior and senior years of high school. Jean majored in art at the U.W.-Madison. This scholarship is given in the spirit of Jean's passion for doing art. MHS class of 1953.

Jerry R. Witt Scholarship in the Natural Sciences	Jerry was valedictorian of the MHS class of 1953. He had a passion for teaching chemistry which he did for 37 yrs at Winona State. Jerry said, "Enjoy it. Have fun with it. Do something you love, & when you do, it will come through to your students". Jerry passed away in 2013 at the age of 78. Established in Jerry Witt's will, this scholarship is for students pursuing natural science careers such as chemistry, physics, forestry, geology, zoology, biochemistry, microbiology, astronomy, or biology. The student must be a graduating senior from MHS going to a public university. Financial need will be considered.
Jewell Educational Scholarship	Established to support a graduating senior from a high school in Marshfield, Wisconsin who is enrolled to attend UWSP at Marshfield. Preference to students majoring in business/economics.
John "Jack" Bittrich Memorial Scholarship	This scholarship was established by the family of John "Jack" Bittrich. He was a long-time teacher at Marshfield High School. This scholarship will benefit students from MHS who will be pursuing a degree in an art related field such as theater, music, dance, visual arts, or creative writing.
John & Marjorie O'Reilly Scholarship	Established by the three daughters of the O'Reilly's to benefit a student who is going to UW Marshfield Stevens Point at Marshfield. Financial need will be considered.
John J. Irvine Scholarship	Created by Beryl Irvine and family in memory John Irvine. Financial need is a significant factor in awarding this scholarship.
Joseph and Bernadine Weber FFA Scholarship	Established by Bernadine Weber and her children as a scholarship for those pursuing agriculture-related fields.
Joyce & Darryl Clauson Scholarship	Established by Joyce Clauson in memory of her husband Darryl. The scholarship is designed to encourage students in Pittsville to attend school to learn a trade.
Kenneth and Ardyce Heiting Scholarship	This scholarship fund was established by Kenneth & Ardyce to benefit a student with financial need, with preference to those in foster care.

Kagel, Franson, Kramer Pittsville Scholarship	This fund was created by combining the Laura Kagel, Glenn & Dorothy Franson, and Donovan Kramer scholarships to provide two larger scholarships to Pittsville students. A Pittsville High School student pursuing a degree in the medical, science, engineering, or education field will be considered for this scholarship. The student will have been active in their high school and community.
Kim Shupe Memorial Scholarship	Established by the family of Kim Shupe as a memorial. Kim died way too young in a hiking accident in Alaska. Kim was a graduate of Marshfield High School where she excelled in softball. She was working with at-risk youth for Alaska Children's Services at the time of her death. The family prefers this to be given to a student with financial need.
LaVerne R. Kohs Memorial Scholarship	Established as a bequest of LaVerne Kohs. Student should be enrolling as a student at UW Stevens Point at Marshfield. Preference for those expressing a sincere desire to enter the health care field. The scholarship is renewable for 3 additional years. (Renewals take priority over new applications.)
Lil'Bullmobilers Snowmobile Club Scholarship	Established by the Lil' Bull Snowmobilers Club for graduating Pittsville High School senior pursuing a degree in higher education. The successful applicant will have a GPA of 2.5 or above & demonstrated volunteer activities or service. Preference to current members of the club or directly related to a member of the club OR interested in outdoor winter activities.
Lloyd Crossman Scholarship	This scholarship was established as a bequest in Mr. Crossman's will. This scholarship for students going on to college is for students who are graduating from Marshfield, Spencer, Stratford or Auburndale schools and have participated in National Honor Society.
Louis J. & Betty Ptacek Scholarship	This scholarship was established by Louis and Betty Ptacek for a student at Marquette University. Recipient should be a Marshfield area resident, residing within a 15-mile radius of the city of Marshfield; scheduled to be enrolled as an undergraduate on a full-time basis at Marquette University; G.P.A. of 3.5 or higher; definite financial need as determined by the financial aid office of Marquette University. The scholarship is renewable for 3 additional years.
Lucy Vanatta Scholarship	This scholarship was created as a memorial for Lucy Vanatta. Lucy was born on January 29, 2007 and passed

	away in April 2024. She was an active member of the National Honors Society and the Forensics club. She was on the yearbook committee and Family, Career & Community Leaders of America. She was also an athlete on the Softball and Volleyball team. She additionally served as the president of the Future Business Leaders of America local chapter. Lucy loved deeply, whether it was her friends, family, or her boyfriend Nate. She was the one who'd start dancing anywhere and was always up for anything, and the one you wanted around to make any situation better.
MacKinnon Family Scholarship	Created by the MacKinnon family in honor of Dr. MacKinnon who was a pioneer physician in Prentice, WI. This scholarship rotates each year from a student at MHS and a student at Prentice H.S.. Financial need will be considered. This scholarship will be awarded to students who are involved in extracurricular activities within the school and active in service to the community.
Marc & Undine Cross Memorial Scholarship	Marc & Undine were not afraid to lend a hand to someone in need. The hope is this scholarship will continue to keep their spirit of helping others alive. The purpose of the scholarship is to assist students pursuing a career in health care or social work. Marc was a social worker with Unified services.
Marilyn Hardacre Scholarship	This fund was established to honor Marilyn Hardacre upon her retirement from MACCI. Scholarships for Columbus and MHS are intended for someone pursuing a degree in political science or public administration and, for MHS students, involved in the school to work program. A small portion of this fund also provides scholarships for the MACCI Leadership Marshfield program.
Marshfield Lions Club Edward W. Heller Memorial Scholarship	Edward Heller was the former editor of the Marshfield News-Herald and a Lion's Club member. This scholarship was set up as a memorial to him. This was created for a junior or senior in college pursuing a major in journalism or communication. Preference given to a junior/senior or grad student but open to freshman or sophomore as well. Special consideration will be given to graduate students.

Marshfield Utilities Scholarship	This scholarship was created for students who Marshfield Utilities customers as a meaningful way to give back to the community while promoting education paths relevant to the utility industry. "This initiative not only provides financial support to deserving students but also encourages them to pursue careers in fields such as engineering, environmental science, and renewable energy. By investing in the education of our young customers, we aim to foster a skilled workforce that can contribute to the innovation and sustainability of the utility sector. Ultimately, this scholarship fund reflects our commitment to the community's future and underscores the importance of education in driving industry advancements." -Marshfield Utilities
Matthew & Heather O'Reilly Scholarship	This scholarship was created to assist and reward dedicated students that want to further their education. Matthew and Heather grew up in Marshfield and Spencer, respectively. Both graduated with an undergraduate degree at UW Eau Claire. Coming from a small town, they realize the importance of hard work and education.

Melvin H. & Ruth J. Schmidt Scholarship	Established for a graduating senior or nontraditional student from Stratford High School pursuing a degree in a health related field. Renewable for 1 year.
MHS Staff Memorial Scholarship	This fund was created to honor staff at Marshfield High School including David Wagner & Troy Schmitt. The scholarship is intended for a student who has actively participated in NHS, AP courses, or student council and perhaps overcome adversity.
Milton A. Krom Scholarship	Established through an estate of Milton Krom for Owen-Withee High School students with a preference given to students pursuing a degree in pharmacy. The student must participate in extracurricular activities, have financial need, scholastic ability and achievements.
Neal & Melanie Kruse Family Scholarship	Established by Tom and Mary (Kruse) Karau. to benefit a graduating student at Turkey Valley Community School in Jackson Junction, Iowa.
Norbert H. and Joan LaSee Scholarship	This scholarship was established to promote the technical trades and encourage students to pursue a degree in these fields. Renewable for 2 additional years.
Norm-E-Lane Scholarship	The Marshfield FFA Alumni Club established this

	scholarship for an FFA student with a career goal of production agriculture.
Paul and Joann Schreiner Scholarship	Paul and Joann Schreiner established scholarships at MHS and Columbus H.S. for students pursuing a technical/trades degree.
Ralph & Diane Mueller Scholarship	This scholarship was created by Ralph & Diane Mueller to benefit a student from the Marshfield service area. It was designed to benefit a student pursuing a degree in Humanities or Science. This is a renewable scholarship for an additional 3 years. High School graduates, college grad students, and nontraditional students are encouraged to apply.
Randy Malueg Memorial Scholarship	Randy came from a family farm background. He was the oldest child of four and was the first to attend and graduate college. I know education was important to him and he was very proud that his girls followed after him. Randy also believed in giving back to the community. Marion High School was his alma mater and his children were raised in the Marshfield area so this fund is giving students in the Marion area a chance to further their education as well promoting Marshfield by funding the scholarship through MACFI.
Ray and Beryl Johnson Scholarship	Ray and Beryl Johnson Memorial Scholarship is for a senior attending Pittsville High School who has a cumulative grade point of 3.0 or better and is embarking on a career that involves working with children. It is not limited to education careers.
Richard and Elaine Cliver Memorial Scholarship	Bill Mitten established this fund to honor his Uncle and Aunt - the Clivers. They made a lasting impact on Bill. They both lived and worked in Marshfield. This scholarship is for a great student from Columbus Catholic Schools.
Rosamund Victoria Adler Scholarship for Lawrence University	Established by Anne & Bette Adler (founders of the Marshfield Area Community Foundation) in honor of their mother. for Lawrence University students who are enrolled in the Lawrence University Conservatory of Music. Preference will be given to female Lawrence University students. Further preference will be given to students from the Marshfield area or from Wisconsin. Financial need is a requirement. The scholarship is renewable for an additional 3 years.
Severns Scholarship	This scholarship is for a Pittsville student pursuing a degree in higher education who has demonstrated leadership skills, academic achievement, extra-curricular

	involvement, and community service who has demonstrated financial need
Sophia Smrz Memorial Scholarship	This scholarship was created as a memorial for Sophia Smrz. Sophia was 17 years old and just began her senior year at Marshfield High School in 2023 when she was killed in a tragic car accident. She had a great sense of humor, worked as a lifeguard during the summer-time and was passionate about many things including 4-H, swimming, playing electric guitar, and her faith. Sophia was academically driven to succeed and in the top 7% of her class having the ultimate goal of becoming a physician. The successful applicant must be a graduating senior from a Marshfield Area Community Foundation service area high school with a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.3 enrolling full time into a bachelor's degree program within the medical profession who best meets these criteria: Participation in swimming sports or working as a lifeguard, extracurricular activities including National Honor Society, HOSA, 4-H, or volunteering in the community.
Staab Construction Scholarship	Staab Construction is an environmental contractor specializing in water and waste water treatment facilities. Staab Construction is a huge advocate of keeping students involved in construction and the construction trades. Staab hopes that this scholarship will help students pursue their dreams of working in construction for a lifetime of fulfilling work.
Swanson Scholarship	Gertrude Swanson was a beloved English teacher at Marshfield High School. Established for students pursuing a career in the field of education.
Terry & Allean Frankland Scholarship	This scholarship was created by Terry & Allean Frankland to support students going into a career in the automotive/trucking industry such as a diesel mechanic. Their goal is to encourage Marshfield Area residents to get the necessary training and hopefully stay in the Marshfield area when they have completed their training.
Tom Drendel Memorial Scholarship	Established by Laura Drendel for students pursuing a degree in agriculture, agri-business, veterinarian, or an agriculture related field.
Verna Lueck Scholarship	Established by Verna Lueck in her estate to establish a scholarship for students who want to become elementary teachers.
VFW Scholarship	Pittsville VFW Scholarship is for a senior at Pittsville High School pursuing post-secondary education at an

	accredited school, technical school or university. Student should have an overall GPA of 2.5 or higher. Priority is given to a student who is a child or grandchild of a Pittsville VFW member.
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