

DELORES SCHENK SCHOLARSHIP Delores Schenk was an active member of St. John's Episcopal Church who established a scholarship fund, now held in the Sturgis Area Foundation, for Sturgis area students attending an undergraduate level school, college or university after high school graduation. The scholarship selection Committee is made up of members of St. John's, and meets each year in April, whenever there are funds to disperse.

The criteria for selecting the scholarship recipients reads in this manner: "I [Delores Schenk] direct that the principal be retained in the scholarship fund and that the income be used for needy students regardless of race, color, or creed. However, preference will be given to members of St. John's Episcopal Church of Sturgis, Michigan, in the event of doubt or ambiguity in the decision process when making scholarship grants." This is a scholarship, not necessarily based on academic performance, but a scholarship for qualified students who might not be able to get another scholarship. The selection Committee can disperse the money as one, two, or even more scholarships.

The selection process was changed at the Sturgis Foundation in the last several years to make it more equitable and fair. All of the Scholarship Selection Committees are no longer provided the names of any of the applicants. Because Delores Schenk was concerned that needy students, who are members of St. John's, be given fair consideration, it is important for you to include in your application that you have been an active member of St. John's. This is in order for the Selection Committee to distinguish the applications of St. John's members from the other applications. See below.

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After St. John's Episcopal Church, note your activities, for example, FFF Meal or acolyte, etc. Under Dates: list the date of your membership to the present.

The Scholarships are due on the last Friday in March. I would recommend that you complete your application in an early and timely manner. These are the steps to follow.

1. Please go to the website: <http://www.sturgisfoundation.org/>
2. Click on Scholarships and Grants.
3. Under Scholarship Applications, click on SCHOLARSHIPS FOR HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS AND AREA COLLEGE STUDENTS:
4. Read the directions carefully!!
5. The application can be completed on-line and then printed, or printed and then filled in.
6. Remember to include a reference to St. John's Episcopal Church under Community/Volunteer Service Activities.
7. You must make 10 copies of everything that you submit.

I hope this is helpful. Even if you did not receive a scholarship last year, you can apply this year. This scholarship is not simply a one time scholarship for graduating seniors, but can be applied for throughout your undergraduate education process, but it must be re-applied for each time.