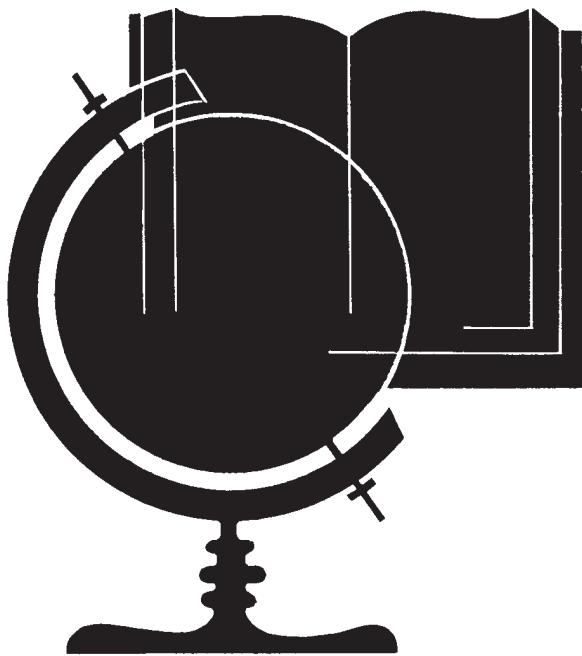


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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

FOREWORD

The long history of the partnership between the Knights of Columbus and Catholic education goes back to the years shortly after our founding with the establishment of a Chair of American History at the Catholic University of America in 1904.

In ensuing years this collaboration took on landmark proportions as the Order funded the Oregon School case heard by the Supreme Court in 1925. It was the favorable decision of the nation's highest court that justified the right of the Catholic School System to exist.

The support of institutions where education is imparted, however, must go hand in hand with programs that enable families to afford the costs of education, and to help students pursue their diplomas with an easier mind.

Over the years the Order has remained a staunch ally of institutions of learning, of parents and of students through a well-developed and well-financed series of scholarships and aid programs.

So that our members and families may know what is available, the Scholarship Department has prepared this informative booklet describing our various programs. I encourage you, as a benefit of membership, to utilize any or all of these programs for which your family may be eligible. And, if any questions remain, the Scholarship Department stands ready to help.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Carl A. Anderson". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

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FOURTH DEGREE PRO DEO AND PRO PATRIA SCHOLARSHIPS

The Supreme Council at its 1965 meeting at Baltimore, Maryland, established the Pro Deo and Pro Patria Scholarship Trust to provide undergraduate scholarships at The Catholic University of America, Washington, D.C. for members, sons and daughters of members and Columbian Squires. The program (which is not limited to Fourth Degree members) has been enhanced over the years by the following actions:

In January 1970, the Board of Directors amended the program so that one half of the scholarships would continue to be available at The Catholic University of America with the remaining half of the scholarships available to students attending other Catholic colleges or Catholic universities in the United States.

In April 1988, the Board of Directors voted to double the number of scholarships available while retaining the earlier policy of dividing the scholarships equally between The Catholic University of America and other Catholic colleges or Catholic universities.

Further improvements were made by delegates attending the 110th Supreme Council Meeting in New York City, August 4, 5, 6, 1992. Acting upon a resolution recommended by the Board of Directors, the delegates resolved to increase both the number and dollar amount of the scholarships offered under this program. As a result of this action, sixty-two scholarships, each in the amount of \$1,500 became available effective with the 1992-1993 academic year. Twelve of the sixty-two scholarships are available at The Catholic University of America; preference being given on two of those twelve to Columbian Squires. Fifty of the scholarships are available to students attending other Catholic colleges in the United States; Columbian Squires receiving preference on two of those fifty.

At the 114th Supreme Council Meeting held in Chicago, Illinois August 6, 7, 8, 1996, the delegates renamed the Pro Deo and Pro Patria Scholarship Fund to the (Fourth Degree) Pro Deo and Pro Patria Scholarship Fund in recognition of funding by the Fourth Degree.

The scholarships for undergraduate studies are for students entering the freshman year in a program leading to a bachelor's degree. The scholarships are awarded for one year and are renewable for each year of undergraduate study to a total of four years subject to evidence of satisfactory academic performance and the discretion of the Committee on Scholarships.

The scholarships are competitive and are awarded on the basis of academic excellence. Selection is made after a review of the secondary school record, class rank and the results of aptitude test scores. To be considered eligible, an applicant must be a member in good standing of the Knights of Columbus; the son or daughter of such a member, or of a deceased member who was in good standing at the time of his death; or a member of the Columbian Squires.

Forms for the scholarships at The Catholic University of America can be obtained from:

**Office of Admissions and Financial Aid
The Catholic University of America
Washington DC 20064**

Applications for scholarships at other Catholic colleges may be obtained after October 1st and must be submitted no later than March 1st to be eligible for consideration. Requests for information or applications should be directed to:

**Department of Scholarships
Knights of Columbus
PO Box 1670
New Haven CT 06507-0901**

JOHN W. McDEVITT (FOURTH DEGREE) SCHOLARSHIPS

In tribute to Past Supreme Knight John W. McDevitt, a distinguished educator rising to many executive positions in that profession, the delegates to the 116th Supreme Council Meeting held in Cincinnati, Ohio August 4, 5, 6, 1998 established the John W. McDevitt (Fourth Degree) Scholarship Fund. The earnings of this fund will provide scholarships on the same basis as those provided under the Fourth Degree Pro Deo and Pro Patria Scholarship Fund and are available to members, wives, widows, and sons and daughters of members including members who died while in good standing at the time of their death (not limited to Fourth Degree members).

Application information and scholarship amount are the same as those indicated on pages one and two of this booklet.

ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIPS

There are a limited number of endowed scholarships provided from earnings of funds established in the donors' names.

In accepting these gifts, the Board of Directors voted to administer endowed scholarships in conformance with the rules of the Fourth Degree Pro Deo and Pro Patria Scholarship program subject to the donors' wishes.

By submitting a completed Fourth Degree Pro Deo and Pro Patria Scholarship application with required supporting documents, an applicant may instead be considered for an endowed scholarship wherein eligibility, application deadline and scholarship amount are generally the same as those found on pages one and two of this booklet.

PERCY J. JOHNSON ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIPS

In 1990, a bequest was received from the Estate of Percy J. Johnson of Council No. 93, Brockton, Mass. Mr. Johnson stipulated that

scholarships be awarded to young men who demonstrate financial need.

Accordingly, a copy of the Student Aid Report (SAR) is required in addition to the application.

ANTHONY J. LABELLA ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIPS

During the period of 1995-1997, a bequest was received from the Estate of Anthony J. LaBella. Having received kindness as a youth from members of the Knights of Columbus, Mr. LaBella provided that, similarly, his benevolence would assist others through his bequest.

FRANK L. GOULARTE ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIPS

In 2000, Frank L. Goularte gave a monetary gift to Knights of Columbus Charities, Inc. to provide scholarships based on need to deserving students.

An applicant should also submit a copy of the Student Aid Report (SAR) with the application to be considered for this scholarship.

FOURTH DEGREE PRO DEO AND PRO PATRIA (CANADA) SCHOLARSHIPS

The Pro Deo and Pro Patria (Canada) Scholarship Fund was established by resolution of the delegates to the 112th Supreme Council Meeting held in Pittsburgh, Pa. in August 1994. Funding in the sum of \$800,000 was provided by the Fourth Degree Fund. The scholarships (which are not limited to Fourth Degree members) are available from the earnings of the fund and reserved exclusively for attendance at colleges and universities in Canada.

Members of Canadian councils or sons and daughters of members, or deceased members, who are entering the first year of university study leading to a baccalaureate degree are eligible. Membership in good standing is a prerequisite, with children of deceased members being eligible if their father's membership was in good standing at the time of his death.

The program was originally established by delegates to the 87th Supreme Council Meeting held in New Haven, Conn. in August 1969 and named the Canadian Scholarship Fund.

Improvements to this program occurred in April 1988 and was again improved by the delegates to the 110th Supreme Council Meeting in New York City August 4-5-6, 1992. The number of scholarships available was increased to twelve and the maximum amount of each to \$1,500.

At the 114th Supreme Council Meeting held in Chicago, Ill. August 6, 7, 8, 1996, the delegates renamed the Pro Deo and Pro Patria (Canada) Scholarship Fund to the (Fourth Degree) Pro Deo and Pro Patria (Canada) Scholarship Fund in recognition of funding by the Fourth Degree.

The scholarships are competitive, awarded on the basis of academic excellence for one year and renewable for each year of undergraduate study to a total of four years. Renewal is subject to evidence of satisfactory academic performance and the discretion of the Committee on Scholarships. The final date for filing an application for these scholarships is May 1 st. Applications are available from:

**Department of Scholarships
Knights of Columbus
PO Box 1670
New Haven CT 06507-0901**

MEXICO, PHILIPPINES AND PUERTO RICO SCHOLARSHIPS

Scholarships for Mexico, the Philippines and Puerto Rico are administered by the respective jurisdictions, not by the Department of Scholarships in New Haven, Conn.

THE CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY OF AMERICA GRADUATE FELLOWSHIPS

In 1907, Archbishop Glennon of St. Louis, Mo., appeared before the Supreme Convention

meeting in Jamestown, Va., and proposed that the Knights of Columbus undertake to raise \$500,000 as an endowment fund for The Catholic University of America.

The University, in accepting this fund, agreed to provide Knights of Columbus Fellowships for graduate study leading to Masters' and Doctors' degrees. The first awards were made for the academic year 1914-15. Knights of Columbus Fellows are asked to consider college teaching or government service as their educational objective. In 1966 the Fellowships were opened to women, and the first woman Knights of Columbus Fellow was appointed in the fall of that year.

The Graduate Fellowships are established at The Catholic University of America, Washington, D.C., for work in the fields offered in the Graduate School. The fellowships cover tuition and an allowance for living expenses, and may be renewed annually up to three years.

For these awards preference is given to members of the Knights of Columbus, to the wife, son, daughter or sister of a member. The member must be in good standing in the Order; if deceased, he must have been in good standing at the time of his death.

These Fellowships are administered by the Graduate School of The Catholic University of America for applicants who have been accepted for graduate work there. Applications may be obtained from:

**Office of the Vice Provost and
Dean of Graduate Studies
The Catholic University of America
Washington DC 20064**

BISHOP CHARLES P. GRECO GRADUATE FELLOWSHIPS

The Bishop Charles P. Greco Graduate Fellowships were established at the 91st Supreme Convention held in Seattle, Wash. in

1973. These fellowships, named in honor of the late Supreme Chaplain, Bishop Greco, are for full-time graduate study leading to a Master's degree in a program designed for the preparation of classroom teachers of people with intellectual disabilities. The exact amount of the grant to an individual will be determined by the educational costs at the university the student chooses to attend. The maximum amount of the grant is \$2,000 payable to the university in amounts not to exceed \$500 per semester, renewable each semester of the program to a maximum of four semesters, upon evidence of satisfactory performance and subject to the discretion of the Committee on Fellowships.

The applicant must be a member of the Knights of Columbus in good standing or the wife, son or daughter of such a member or deceased member. Applicants must have a good undergraduate record and give evidence of interest in, and aptitude for, work with people with intellectual disabilities. Special consideration will be given to applicants who select a Catholic graduate school. The final date for filing the application for this fellowship is May 1st.

Applications may be obtained from:

**Committee on Fellowships
Knights of Columbus
PO Box 1670
New Haven CT 06507-0901**

FRANCIS P. MATTHEWS AND JOHN E. SWIFT EDUCATIONAL TRUST SCHOLARSHIPS

Delegates to the 62nd Supreme Council Meeting in August 1944 voted to establish an Educational Trust Fund by the raising of \$1,000,000 through a special per capita tax on the members of the Order. Scholarships pro-

vided from the income of this Fund would become a living memorial to Knights who gave their lives for their country during World War II, or who became totally and permanently disabled through service incurred injuries. Originally these scholarships included tuition, room, board, books and fees.

These benefits were then extended in 1956, 1964, 1991 and 2004 to include other combat zones throughout the world (Korea, Vietnam, Cyprus, Persian Gulf, Iraq, Afghanistan and Pakistan). Delegates to the 1970 and 1971 Supreme Council Meetings also authorized additional changes.

Delegates to the 125th Supreme Council Meeting in August 2007, amended eligibility criteria and benefits effective September 1, 2007 as follows:

- 1) Educational Trust Scholarships are available to children of members in good standing who, while serving in the military forces of their country in a combat zone, specifically designated as such by the Board of Directors, are killed by hostile action or wounded by hostile action resulting within two years thereof in permanent and total disability. Applications must be filed within two years of the death or determination of total and permanent disability of the member.
- 2.) Scholarships may also be awarded to children of members in good standing who are full-time law enforcement officers or full-time firefighters who, while in the lawful performance of their duties, died as a result of criminal violence directed at them. Applications must be filed within two years of the date of death of the member.

The term "children" shall include natural or adopted children of the deceased member who were born within nine months after the member died or, in the case of adoption, were adopted by the member before he suffered the fatal injury, or in the case of a member in the

military, before he suffered the permanently and totally disabling injury.

Benefits for which eligible children qualify shall be limited to tuition only, up to a maximum of \$25,000 per year, but not room, board, books, fees, transportation, dues, computers or supplies. Tuition shall first be reduced by the amount of any scholarships or other grants to which the child shall be entitled.

All scholarships are governed by established rules of the Educational Trust Fund. The scholarship is to be used at any Catholic college of the student's choice in the country of the member's domicile at the time of death or disability. Benefits should be applied for on a timely basis and an undergraduate degree achieved in a reasonable timeframe.

Information and applications are obtained from:

**Department of Scholarships
Knights of Columbus
PO Box 1670
New Haven CT 06507-0901**

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BRITISH COLUMBIA
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MONTANA
NEW BRUNSWICK
NEW HAMPSHIRE
NEW JERSEY
NORTH CAROLINA
NORTH DAKOTA
NOVA SCOTIA
OKLAHOMA
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