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Dear Friends,

Tonight we are happily celebrating our 52nd Awards Ceremony!

Presenting scholarships to young men and women of Manchester as they anticipate pursuing a college education is always exciting for recipients, donors, and members of our Board. Our Awards Ceremony is a community affair with joyful awardees and their families having the ability to meet with those individuals or businesses who have established the scholarships they receive. Some comments from students are: “This experience has changed my life,” from a young woman and, “heartwarming and impressive,” from a young man who added, “A lot of these students might not be able to go to college if it weren’t for these awards.” There are many, many people who have made these annual June ceremonies possible.

In 1965 the Greater Manchester Chamber of Commerce decided to form a foundation to be “a vehicle for individuals to bequest funds, a means for tax exempt contributions to be channeled into scholarships,” and for “professional administration of existing scholarship funds” given by various organizations in Manchester. The Manchester Scholarship Foundation, Inc. was subsequently established. Those first scholarships given in 1966 were small--ranging from $100 to $500 per award, for a total amount of $7,700 -- but dreams for the future were much greater.

For over 50 years, the Foundation has awarded scholarships to graduating high school seniors who are residents of Manchester, using the same criteria established by the first Board of Directors in 1965: academic achievement, financial need, community service, school activities, work experience, and/or special talents. People who are committed to education and to the youth of our community have come forward with donations.

Bequests range from modest to magnificent, but all are given in the same spirit, desiring to make a difference in the educational opportunities for our young people. As a Board, we appreciate the generosity of all the many individuals, organizations, and businesses joining us in supporting our recipients. Some of the Foundation’s newer initiatives are:

The Arthur Goodman Strong Memorial Scholarship, established by a bequest in 2003, awards scholarships specifically to recipients having a physical or mental impairment.

The Adult Learners Scholarship was initiated in 2004 and has been renamed this year to the Raymond F. Damato Adult Learners Scholarship to honor his extremely generous bequest to the Foundation in 2015. This scholarship was established for the unique needs of adults returning to part time and full time educational pursuits; even the Town Board of Directors supplements this annually through its L.I.F.E. Program. Our recipients have earned associates, bachelors and master’s degrees and some have even earned their Ph.D.

In 2006, board’s long-held desire to offer multiple year scholarships was met due to the very generous bequest of the late Alexander and Alice Č. Jarvis. This is an ongoing, multiple year scholarship with college student recipients receiving scholarship funding for their remaining 3 years of college.

Our volunteer board feels privileged to be a part of a multi-generational legacy of helping students advance their education while carrying out the fiduciary charge of growing and preserving a strong endowment. The generous members of our broader community, with their contributions of monetary donations and personal time have been vital to our success. The Foundation offers gifts for everyone: for the scholarship recipients--the gift of education, and for the donors--the gift of knowing that they have promoted a worthy cause for which they will long be remembered.

Board of Directors
The Manchester Scholarship Foundation, Inc.
Mission Statement

The nature of the activities of the corporation is as follows:

- To raise money for the purpose of awarding scholarships to assist students in obtaining education beyond the secondary school level;

- To grant such scholarships on the basis of a combination of the following: community and school involvement, financial need and scholastic attainment;

- To accomplish the above activities without discrimination as to race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, gender, sexual orientation, or disability.

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Growth of the Foundation

Since the inception of the Manchester Scholarship Foundation, the number of recipients, the number of scholarships presented, and the dollar amounts of the awards have increased.

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The Investment Committee manages the investment of the Manchester Scholarship Foundation funds. The Committee works closely with professional investment advisers in order to protect the funds and maximize annual scholarship awards.

The Treasurer is responsible for receiving, holding, and disbursing all scholarship funds, and maintains an accounting of each scholarship including the amounts of donations, the investment income earned per year and the amount disbursed each year. The treasurer sends an annual accounting of each perpetual scholarship to the donor or its representative.

The Century Club was established in 1982 through the efforts of the late James Holmes, a member of the Board of Directors, in order to generate funds to help defray the operating expenses of the foundation. Prior to the inception of the Century Club, income from investment of foundation funds was used for this purpose. The Century Club now conducts an annual fund raising effort in the community thereby establishing a strong base of loyal supporters whose contributions help sustain the work of the foundation. Donations to the Century Club may be sent to the chairperson at the Manchester Scholarship Foundation, 20 Hartford Road, Manchester, CT 06040.
Contributing to the Foundation

The Manchester Scholarship Foundation, a 501(c)3 non-profit corporation, is happy to accept donations from individuals, business and industrial firms, clubs and service groups. These can be:

* Donations in any amount to the General Fund or to the Adult Learners Scholarship, from both of which awards are made each year in the name of the Manchester Scholarship Foundation.

* Bequests under the terms of a will or distributions under the terms of a trust.

* Donations that are designated and presented as a named scholarship for a given year, often repeatedly on an annual basis. The minimum amount for such a named annual scholarship is $350. Such donations should be coordinated with the Gifts and Bequests Committee.

* Donations in memory of a person at the time of death. These donations are acknowledged to the donor and to the family of the deceased. The Gifts and Bequests Committee works with the family to set up the scholarship.

* Donations that are of a sufficient amount to establish a perpetual scholarship. Perpetual scholarships can be established through a donation of $10,000 or more. Only the interest earned from this donation is awarded each year in the name of the donor or as a memorial. Persons wishing to establish a perpetual scholarship may contact any board member. However, the terms of the scholarship, such as criteria for the of recipients, must be coordinated through the Gifts and Bequests Committee. An accounting of the funds of these perpetual scholarships is sent each year to the donor or family.

* Donations to establish an interim scholarship. When a fund holds significantly more than the annual scholarship minimum of $350, but either not enough to become a perpetual scholarship or the donor prefers not to create a perpetual scholarship, an interim scholarship can be established. The donor determines over how many years the scholarship should be awarded and the treasurer calculates the appropriate amount. Alternatively, the donor or his/her representative may annually direct the treasurer to distribute a certain amount until the fund has been liquidated. In either case the distribution must be at least $350. Funds may be added to extend the life of the scholarship, and accountings are sent annually.

Donations may be made in cash, in securities, or in a variety of trusts. All donations are acknowledged and are tax deductible.

Contributions must be received by early spring for an award to be presented in June. The deadline for receipt is set annually by the Treasurer and is usually in mid or late April.

Donors, their families, or their designees are invited to present the scholarship awards at the annual Awards Ceremony.

Donations may be sent to:

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To learn more about the Foundation, we invite you to visit our website at www.manchesterscholarship.org. Also, please feel free to call the Foundation at (860) 645-1673 if you have any questions.
Applying for Scholarships

Traditional Scholarships for Graduating High School Students

Eligibility

- Residency in Manchester for at least six months duration immediately prior to the application deadline
- Graduate of an accredited high school during the same year of the application.
- Accepted into a college, university, community college, or other post-secondary school as a full-time student for the fall of the year the student graduated from high school
- Personal Essay

The Manchester Scholarship Foundation will reserve funds for deserving students without financial need.

Application

Applications are available on line, in early January, at our website, www.manchesterscholarship.org. This application MUST be completed on line.

The application has two parts that must be completed:

Part A summarizes the student's activities and gives permission for the high school to release the academic record to the Manchester Scholarship Foundation, Inc.

Part B summarizes the family financial information. That, along with the FAFSA and Income Tax Returns, is mailed directly to a professional financial aid consultant contracted to evaluate that information and send the figures of the expected family contribution and the financial need for the chosen college to the Selection Committee of the Manchester Scholarship Foundation. Board members never see the original financial documents.

The Manchester Scholarship Foundation reserves the right not to process applications found to be late or incomplete as of the postmark deadline.

Selection

After the deadline, the Selection Committee, composed of board members, reviews each application. Points are assigned for the following criteria:

- Personal essay
- School and community activities, work experience, and/or special talents
- Financial need as calculated by the financial consultant

The number of scholarships awarded depends on available funds, and the amount of each scholarship will vary. In many cases, students receive more than one award depending on the total amount awarded and the dollar amounts of individual scholarships. The money will be paid in full during the summer prior to the first year directly to the school the recipient will attend. Scholarships are for one year and are non-renewable.

Awarding of Scholarships

The annual Awards Ceremony is held in June. Recipients and their families are invited to attend. Individual scholarships are announced by name only; the dollar amounts are not announced. Donors, their families, or the Manchester Scholarship Foundation board members present scholarships to the students.
Arthur Goodman Strong Memorial Scholarship

**Eligibility**
- Residency in Manchester for at least six months immediately prior to the application deadline
- A physical disability or mental impairment that substantially limits one or more major life activities as interpreted under the Americans With Disabilities Act
- High school diploma or GED certificate of any year
- Plans to begin or continue post-secondary education

**Necessary Documents**
- Part A of application
- Part B of application with FAFSA and Income Tax Returns
- The Manchester Scholarship Foundation Physician’s Statement and/or proof of a current IEP or 504 Plan.
- Transcripts from all post-secondary schools attended
- If applicable, verification of GED completion

Qualified applicants who are high school seniors at the time of submitting the application will be considered for this scholarship and our other scholarships available to traditional high school students. Qualified applicants who graduated any other year or who received the GED will be considered only for the Arthur Goodman Strong Memorial Scholarship.

Applicants who qualify for this scholarship may also apply for subsequent years of post-secondary education or training, whether or not a scholarship was given the first year the applicant applied. The number of scholarships awarded depends upon the number of qualified applicants and the available funds. The amount of each award will vary.

Scholarship recipients and their families are invited to participate in the Awards Ceremony in June.

Raymond F. Damato Adult Learners Scholarship

**Eligibility**
- Residency in Manchester for at least six months immediately prior to the application deadline
- Of age 21 or older
- Acceptance to a college or other post secondary school
- Has a demonstrated financial need
- Plans to attend school part or full time
- Possesses clear and serious educational objectives and evidence of ability to honor commitments

**Necessary Documents**
- Application
- Letter of acceptance from postsecondary institution or most recent grade report
- Personal essay
- Two reference letters
- Income tax return

**Awards**

Scholarships of $600 for those taking one course and up to $1,000 for those taking two or more courses are available for fall, spring, and summer terms. They may be used to pay for tuition, fees, and/or books.

Jarvis Memorial Scholarship

This $7,000 per year award is available only to past recipients who as graduating high school seniors received a traditional high school scholarship from the Manchester Scholarship Foundation, Inc. Those students who have a GPA of 3.0 or higher at the end of their freshman year of college and have financial need are eligible for consideration for these multiple year scholarships. The application for this scholarship will be available on line in January at manchesterscholarship.org.

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*The Manchester Scholarship Foundation, Inc. does not discriminate against applicants on the basis of race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, sex, disability, sexual orientation, or source of income. The Manchester Scholarship Foundation preserves and protects the confidentiality of all information received on all applications and will release it only on a need to know basis.*
Named Scholarships

Named Scholarships at First Awards Ceremony - June 1966

David Dieterle Memorial Scholarship
G.T. LaBonne Assn. Inc. Scholarship
G. Albert Pearson Assn. Music Scholarship
Daniel Manchuck Music Scholarship
Rotary Club Scholarships

Manchester Bar Association Scholarship
Tire City Scholarship
Manchester Board of Realtors Scholarship
Kiwanis Club Scholarships
Manchester Education Assn. Scholarships
Madeline H. Mitchell Memorial Scholarship

Named Scholarships - June 2018

The following named scholarships will be awarded this year. While a few are one-time awards, the majority are either perpetual or annual scholarships. These brief biographical sketches describe those named in the scholarships.

Helena Agostinelli Memorial
Mrs. Agostinelli, born in Canada, lived in Manchester most of her life. She was the wife of Nathan G. Agostinelli, former president of the Manchester State Bank and former mayor of Manchester. (Preference for this scholarship is given to a student planning a career in healthcare.)

Edith/Phoebe Wickham Manning Archer Memorial
Phoebe Manning was inspired by the Manchester High School Science and Biology teachers to challenge herself with award-winning science essay writings and club activities. This inspiration led to a career in nursing and a passion for knowledge related to science and medicine. A graduate of the Class of 1933, she went on to train as a nurse, working in private and institutional positions and showing leadership statewide in helping organize an association for nurses. A Manchester native, Phoebe would have encouraged and inspired young women of the future as she did her educator daughter. (Preference for this scholarship is given to a female Manchester High School student with financial need who plans to pursue a career in the sciences, nursing or medicine.)

Edson M. & Elizabeth T. Bailey Memorial
Mr. Bailey served the Manchester school system for more than forty years as a teacher, a guidance counselor, and as principal of Manchester High School from 1935 to 1960. After his retirement he became an assistant professor of education at the University of Hartford. Also a member of the Manchester Historical Society, he was instrumental in the acquisition of the Cheney Homestead and organizing it as a museum. Mrs. Bailey was described as a civic leader for her involvement in the community and was named “Woman of the Year” in 1963 for her service to the community. She was a trustee of Manchester Memorial Hospital, one of the first members of its Auxiliary, and a past president of the Manchester Public Health Nursing Association. Both Mr. and Mrs. Bailey received the coveted “M” Award given annually by the Greater Manchester Chamber of Commerce to individuals who made outstanding contributions to the community. Mr. Bailey established the scholarship at the time of his wife’s death and made provision in his will for its continuation in both names after his own death.

Tony Barrett Memorial
Tony Barrett graduated from Manchester High School in 1976. During his high school years, he was a talented artist who contributed illustrations to yearbooks and offices within the school system. After graduation he continued to pursue his passion for art at Rochester Institute of Technology, where he received a Bachelor of Arts degree. Prior to his death, Tony was employed in the graphic arts industry. His family established this scholarship to perpetuate his memory and his love for art. (This scholarship is awarded to an MHS graduate with need who plans to pursue the visual arts.)

The Beechler Family Memorial Scholarship
Mr. Austin D. Beechler and Miss Anne L. Beechler established this scholarship. Austin, born in Manchester, attended local schools and graduated from the University of Maine in 1932. He served in the U. S. Navy during World War II. Prior to his retirement in 1976, he was a title searcher for a law firm in Hartford. He passed away in 1999. Anne was born in Manchester, attended local schools and graduated from the University of Connecticut in 1950. She was on the faculty of Manchester High School serving as a teacher, guidance counselor and was the Guidance Department Chairperson at the time of her retirement in 1984. She subsequently was employed by the Savings Bank of Manchester as a registered representative. Anne also served on the Board of Directors of the Manchester Scholarship Foundation for many years and was named an Honorary Life Director at the time of her first retirement from the Board in 1997. (Recipients of this scholarship must be graduates of Manchester High School. Preference is given to students planning to attend the University of Maine.)

Ray Beller Music Memorial
Ray Beller was the owner and proprietor of Beller’s Music, a fixture on Main Street in Manchester for over forty years. Before settling in Manchester, Ray spent many years playing alto saxophone for some of the top bandleaders of the era, including Benny Goodman, Glenn Gray, and Ray McKinley, and was named one of the top five saxophone players in the country by Downbeat Magazine. In the early 1950’s, Ray settled in Connecticut where, from his Manchester Main Street store, he encouraged and inspired future generations of aspiring musicians. The Ray Beller Music Scholarship Committee established this scholarship was established in Ray’s memory in order to recognize his accomplishments as a player, promoter, and
educator of music, and to create a legacy by which those goals may continue to be advanced. Now in its 9th year, the Ray Beller Music Scholarship Committee raises funds annually for this scholarship through its Ray Beller All-Star Jam, which is open to players and fans of all ages. (This scholarship is awarded to a student planning to study music.)

**Frank and Rose Benevento Family Memorial**

Established with a bequest from the Estate of Antoinette Benevento, this scholarship honors Frank and Rose Benevento, who moved to Manchester in the mid-twentieth century and raised their four children. Their daughter, Antoinette, attended local schools and, along with her parents, remained a life-long devout parishioner of St. Bridget Church. Antoinette worked as the Executive Secretary to the President of Travelers Insurance Company in Hartford and shared with her parents a strong belief in the benefit of a good education. She established this scholarship through a bequest in her Will, planning ahead to create a legacy of support for Manchester students.

**Erwin & Eleanor Beyer Memorial**

Mr. Beyer was born in Germany and lived in Manchester for forty-five years prior to his death in 1983. Before retiring he was employed for many years as a Chief Draftsman/Designer of jet engines by United Technologies. Prior to her retirement, Mrs. Beyer worked as an executive secretary for over twenty years at Westinghouse Appliance Company. Both were active gardeners. Mrs. Beyer passed away in 2008. (Preference for this scholarship is given to a student with an interest in math or engineering.)

**Marjorie E. and Horace M. Bissell Memorial**

Both Manchester natives and graduates of Manchester High School, Marjorie and Horace Bissell were long-time residents of the town. Both were also veterans of World War II, Mrs. Bissell serving in the U.S. Navy Women’s Reserve and Mr. Bissell serving in the U.S. Army Air Corps. A Gold Award Girl Scout, Mrs. Bissell sang with the Manchester Symphony Orchestra and Chorale and participated actively in the Beta Sigma Phi Sorority. Mrs. Bissell’s professional career included employment at Connecticut General Insurance Company, the Mary Cheney Library, and the Manchester Board of Education, while Mr. Bissell built a career at United Technologies where he was Manager of the Finance Department of the Turbo-Power Marine Division at the time of his death at age fifty-six. Mr. and Mrs. Bissell participated at Center Congregational Church in various areas, including the church choir and the bell choir, both of which Mrs. Bissell was a member. (The recipient of this scholarship must be a student planning a career in the business field.)

**Thomas R. Brown Jr. Memorial**

Tom Brown was owner and President of T.R. Brown and Assoc., Inc., an Electrical Manufacturers Rep. Co. that he founded in 1985. As a lifelong Manchester resident he was active in the community as a president of the Rotary Club and a member of the Board of Trustees at the Lutz Children’s Museum. His interest in the Manchester school system extended to his support of educational and recreational programs. (Preference for this scholarship is given to a student planning a career in business.)

**Burton Dance Scholarship in Memory of A. Lee Burton**

A native of East Hartford, Mr. Lee Burton was widely known in the greater Manchester area as a dancer, teacher and choreographer. He served in the U.S. Army for twelve years, including a few years in Germany where he taught dancing as an avocation. In 1958 Mr. Burton returned to the Manchester area where he and his wife, Beverly Bollino Burton, established the Burton Dance Studio where he taught tap, jazz, ballet, acrobatics, and ballroom dancing to children and adults for forty years. Mrs. Burton continues to teach at the studio, now celebrating its fiftieth year, and she looks forward to working with second and third generation Burton dancers. Mr. Burton also taught at local colleges and regularly choreographed performances for The Little Theatre of Manchester, the University of Connecticut, and the Manchester Musical Players. Always considering himself a teacher first, Mr. Burton took pride in the progress his students made and the skills they developed, and enjoyed maintaining contact with his former students long after they had graduated. (Preference for this scholarship is given to a student graduating from the Burton Dance or other Manchester dance studio, or planning to pursue the arts.)

**Milton and Elsie Camilleri Memorial**

Milton “Mickey” Camilleri was born in Hartford in 1923 and graduated from Bulkeley High. In 1943 he enlisted in the U.S. Navy, where he served in the Pacific and Atlantic Theaters as a Pharmacist First Mate for three years. During the Normandy invasion he served on an LST ship and tended to sick and wounded soldiers before their return home. Post war, he was stationed in Hawaii, where he married Elsie, a Navy Nurse, and was honorably discharged. After earning his BS degree in Pharmacy at South Dakota State University, he returned to Connecticut, owned his own pharmacy, and was a community pharmacist prior to being employed as the State of Connecticut Director of Drug Control Division, where he enforced federal and state laws concerning the distribution of controlled drugs. Mickey served as guest lecturer at universities, colleges and nursing seminars, and as in instructor for the Municipal Police Training Council and the Connecticut State Police Academy. A member of many pharmaceutical and law enforcement associations, he served for eight years on the Board of Directors of the International Narcotics Enforcement Officers Association, for over ten years as the President and Treasurer of the Connecticut Narcotics Officers Association, and was a member of the Connecticut Police Chiefs Associations of Food and Drug Officials. Mickey died unexpectedly at the age of 60 in 1984.

Born in South Dakota and 1921, Elsie Rivinoja Camilleri graduated from St. John’s School of Nursing in 1942 and enlisted in the U.S. Navy. She served as a Lieutenant JG Navy nurse in the Pacific Theater and at several USN hospitals, including Norfolk, where she tended to soldiers wounded during the Normandy invasion, and Hawaii where she married Mickey and was honorably discharged in 1946. Elsie continued her nursing career in Brookings, South Dakota while Mickey attended the university, then moved with her husband to Manchester, where they raised their family. Elsie worked for many years as a nurse at Hartford Hospital and Manchester Manor before retiring in 1984. She was 92 years old when she died in 2014. (Preference for this scholarship is given to a student planning a career in pharmacy, nursing, or law enforcement.)
Named Scholarships

**Bernard B. and Ruth N. Campagna Memorial**
Born in Springfield, Massachusetts in 1910, Bernard Campagna graduated from the High School of Commerce in 1928, then worked for the Better Vision Institute in New York City for a brief period before becoming trained and employed by the Civil Aeronautics Administration as an air traffic controller. His career took him to Newark Airport in New Jersey and Brainard Airport in Hartford, then, because of his excellent qualifications and fluency in Italian, to Italy in 1953 and 1954 at the request of the U.S. government to establish an air traffic control system for the Italian government. Subsequently he returned to the Civil Aeronautics Administration and worked as an air traffic controller at the Stratford Airport in Connecticut until his retirement in 1972.

Ruth Nyman Campagna was born in Winsted in 1906, graduated from the Gilbert School, then from the Willimantic State Normal School, now known as Eastern Connecticut State University, with a degree in teaching in 1927. She taught grades three through six in the Manchester schools, retiring from her teaching career in 1945. Ruth continued her lifelong interest in weaving and remained active in the Manchester Weavers Guild. Benny and Ruth’s greatest interest beyond their careers was music. Benny possessed a gorgeous tenor voice and sang with the Scala Bowl in New York City in 1919. He was an engineer for 24 years at the Burnham Company, founded the Gilbert and Sullivan Workshop, now known as the Manchester Gilbert and Sullivan Players, and served in it until 1953. Avid supporters of their church, the Manchester Historical Society and public education, Benny and Ruth created this scholarship through bequests in their wills, planning ahead to create a legacy of support for Manchester students.

**Helen & Gertrude Carrier Memorial**
Helen Carrier lived most of her life in Manchester. Before retiring, she was an accountant for the former Orford Soap Co. for forty-three years. She was a charter member of the Professional Women’s Club and an active supporter of the Manchester Scholarship Foundation. Gertrude Carrier, born in Manchester, graduated from Manchester High School. She retired in 1953 after forty years of teaching at Bentley School and Bolton Elementary School. (Preference for this scholarship is given to a student planning a career in the teaching or secretarial field.)

**Steve Cavagnaro, Sr. Memorial**
Mr. Cavagnaro owned and operated Cavey’s Restaurant, which was started by his parents in 1933. Active in many community groups, he was also a state representative for many years and was instrumental in establishing the state community college system. He was instrumental in starting the culinary course at Manchester Community College. (Preference for this scholarship is given to a student planning a career in food service or in public service.)

**Alexander and Barbara Charlamb Scholarship**
Alexander Charlamb, the son of Russian immigrants, was born in New York City in 1919. He was an engineer for 24 years at Hamilton Standard, where he helped develop the backpack used by the astronauts for the first lunar landing in 1969. A lover of classical music, he played the piano from childhood into his 90’s. Always a supporter of education, he enthusiastically volunteered at Highland Park School in Manchester during his retirement. He taught 5th graders to play chess, helped them in the computer lab with composing and typing their stories, oversaw the weather club, and was a judge in the annual pasta car race. In 2010 he moved with his wife, Barbara, to Middlebury, Vermont, to be near family; he died in 2014 after courageously enduring years with Alzheimer’s. Barbara enjoyed 17 years of teaching as an elementary and middle school teacher in Manchester and Vernon. Between them they have four children, all graduates of Manchester High School. Barbara currently resides in Middlebury, Vermont where she gardens and does volunteer work.

**Francis J. Conti Scholarship**
Mr. Francis Conti was born in Hartford and moved to Manchester in 1935. He was employed by the Town of Manchester for twenty-seven years and was the Chief Building Inspector for ten years. The funds for this scholarship were donated by his many friends, including those in the construction industry, on the occasion of his retirement from the Town of Manchester in January 1983. (Preference for this scholarship is given to a graduate of Howell Cheney Technical School who is planning a career in the construction trade.)

**Joseph A. Conti Memorial**
Mr. Joseph Conti was born in West Hartford and later moved to Manchester where he attended Manchester schools. He graduated from the University of Connecticut with a degree in economics. After being self-employed for many years, he attended the five-year evening division of the University of Connecticut School of Law. He practiced law in Manchester until his death in August 1976. This scholarship was made possible by the donations of Mr. and Mrs. Frank J. Conti, Mr. and Mrs. Richard J. Durrenberger, and Patricia Conti Ladd in his memory.
Theodore R. Cummings & Lorraine B. Cummings Memorial
Mr. Cummings was born in Manchester, attended local schools, and graduated from Manchester High School in 1941. He joined the U.S. Marine Corps and served his country in the South Pacific during World War II. After the war he attended the University of Connecticut while working nights to support his family. Active in the Manchester community, he served on the Board of Education, the Board of Directors, and as a state representative. He also had the distinction of being the longest serving Democratic Town Committee chairman in the state. Prior to opening the Ted Cummings Insurance Agency in Manchester in 1965, he worked in construction for Green Manor Construction Co. Mr. Cummings served the insurance needs of many at the agency and continued to give to the Manchester community. He believed passionately in lifelong learning and recognized the need to further one’s education in order to achieve one’s goals. Lorraine Blanchard Cummings was a lifelong resident of Manchester. “Lefty” attended local schools and graduated from MHS, Class of 1943. Throughout her life, she held the core belief that the more education one achieved, the greater was the opportunity for a more accomplished and complete life. She was an enthusiastic reader and a good sculptress with a passion for gardening, and the New York Yankees. (Preference for this scholarship is given to a student with financial need.)

Raymond F. “Sonny” Damato Memorial
A native and life-long resident of Manchester, Sonny Damato took great pride in his family, his business, political affiliations, antique cars and involvement in numerous community organizations. His career began at the age of 12 operating a bulldozer while working construction along with this father and brother. His first independent venture at age 20 was a successful hot dog stand, Frankie’s Drive-In, which also sponsored a semi-professional basketball team. During his mid-twenties, Mr. Damato started his highly successful business of building apartments, eventually establishing Damato Enterprises, whose now nearly 400 units represent the highest standards for apartments in Manchester. Mr. Damato enjoyed skiing with family and friends in Vermont, caring for his beloved horses, and maintaining his collection of antique cars. Fondly referred to as the “Mayor of Homestead Park,” Mr. Damato was devoted to the growth and development of the Town of Manchester and the Eighth Utilities District. He served for many years on the Board of Directors for many local organizations including the Savings Bank of Manchester and the Eighth Utilities District of Manchester. By far, however, Mr. Damato’s greatest pride was in his dear ones and family, for whom his unsurpassed love will never be forgotten. Nor will his unsurpassed generosity, for he left very generous bequests to the Manchester Scholarship Foundation and to other non-profits in Manchester. The Manchester Scholarship Foundation is thrilled to receive his magnificent bequest, and the Raymond F. Damato Memorial will enable the Foundation to launch major new initiatives to perpetually support local students who are pursuing advanced education.

Richard K. Danielson Memorial
Mr. Danielson, a graduate of Trinity College, served as a mathematics teacher at Manchester High School from 1946 until his retirement in 1980. During his thirty-three years as the head soccer coach at Manchester High, his teams won numerous championships. In 1979 the National High School Coaches Association named him the Coach of the Year. The Manchester High School soccer field bears his name. In 2001 Mr. Danielson was inducted into the Connecticut Soccer Hall of Fame in recognition of his many accomplishments and outstanding record as a coach and mentor. One of his former athletes has described him: “He not only produced winners on the field but helped in the molding of men.” (This scholarship is funded by the Manchester Soccer Club and must be awarded to a male student who has played on the Manchester High varsity soccer team.)

Richard T. Day Memorial
Richard T. Day was a well-known Professor of Psychology at Manchester Community College for 27 years; he served as Chairman of the Psychology Department for 12 years. He graduated from Manchester High School and Boston College. He received his Master’s Degree from Fordham University, a C.A.G.S. from the University of Hartford, and his doctorate from the University of Connecticut. Dr. Day was the first Director of Guidance at East Catholic High School and he also served as a consulting psychologist to the Manchester Board of Education for over two decades. He was very active in a host of voluntary positions in Manchester and with the St. James School Board, Parish Council, and The Archdiocesan School Board. Dr. Day and his wife placed a strong emphasis on educating their four children who attended Manchester schools and benefitted from the Manchester Scholarship Foundation. (Preference for this scholarship is given to an East Catholic High School student with financial need.)

John B. DeQuattro Memorial
Mr. DeQuattro was born in Massachusetts and lived in Manchester for fifteen years. He was a member of numerous civic and community organizations and the founder and president of the J. D. Real Estate Co. and Affiliates. He loved young people and always encouraged them to do well. His son established the scholarship in 1968.

Beverly DeSimone-McWilliams Memorial
Mrs. DeSimone-McWilliams was a native of Manchester and a 1962 Manchester High School graduate. She and her husband moved to Florida in 1970. She studied dance and was a member of the Palm Beach Ballet Center in Lake Park, Florida. (Preference for this award is given to a student planning to pursue the field of ballet dance or performing arts.)

Serge Desplanques Memorial
Mr. Desplanques was born in Paris, France, and worked as a chemist for many years for Houbigant in New York City. He and his wife moved to Manchester when he retired.

Albert T. & Jane N. Dewey Memorial
Mr. Dewey died in 1971 at age eighty-five. Born in Manchester, he participated actively with the Masons, St. Mary’s Episcopal Church, and in numerous civic affairs. He served in World War I and remained in the Army Reserve for twenty years. He had a forty-six year career in banking, most of it with Connecticut Bank and Trust where he served as trust officer and vice president. Mrs. Dewey, a lifelong resident of Manchester, was a charter member of the Manchester Memorial Hospital Women’s Auxiliary. She worked with the Red Cross during World War I and for many years thereafter. This scholarship is part of the Albert T. & Jane N.
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Dewey Fund administered by the Hartford Foundation for Public Giving. Numerous awards have been made each year from this fund. (Preference for this scholarship is given to minority students with financial need.)

Robert and Mildred Dewey Memorial
Mr. Robert Dewey was active in military service and later operated the Dewey-Richmond Store in Manchester. Mrs. Mildred Dewey was born in Danbury and moved to the Manchester area in the 1920s where she and her husband, Robert, made their home. She was committed throughout her life to the education and growth of young people as evidenced by her work as a teacher in the Manchester school system during the 1920s and a librarian for the Westside and Mary Cheney libraries from 1949 until her retirement in 1967. She was a past Brownie commissioner during the 1930s for the Girl Scouts of America and was a member of Center Congregational Church in Manchester. Mr. Dewey died in 1948 and Mrs. Dewey died in 1982.

Diana Family Scholarship
The Diana Family has been active in the Manchester for many years. Leo Diana immigrated to the United States from Italy in the 1920’s and was the proprietor of Diana’s Tailor Shop for 35 years. His wife, Angeline Mistretta Diana (Lamphere) was born in Hartford and raised in Manchester where she was a member of the first graduating class of Nathan Hale Elementary School. She helped her husband at the tailor shop and was active at St. James Church. Together they raised four sons. Vincent graduated from Trinity College and the University of Chicago School of Law and practiced law in Manchester for fifty-three years. He was a charter member of the Manchester Scholarship Foundation, on whose board he served for almost forty years, including serving as its President. He was the past president of the Hartford County Bar Association and a trustee of Saint James Church. He passed away in May, 2011. Their second son, Mario, also retired and residing in Manchester, had a barbershop for many years in town. He was known as the town’s crossword puzzle champion. Their third son, Leo, who passed away in 2000, graduated from Central Connecticut State College and received a Master’s degree at Colby College, after which he taught math and science at Barnard School for years before becoming the principal of Nathan Hale Elementary School, a position he held until he retired. Under his leadership Nathan Hale became a magnet school. Leo also participated actively in UNICO, including serving as its national president. Their youngest son William, who also passed away in 2000, was also a lifelong resident of Manchester. A graduate of the University of Connecticut, he received his law degree from Boston University and worked at Aetna for most of his career. Bill was active in Manchester’s civic affairs and served as the Assistant Comptroller for the Town, then served on the Manchester Board of Directors for years, including ten years as the deputy mayor. All four sons benefited from the legacy of their parents, especially from their father’s frequently articulated belief in the importance of a good education and that once gained, it could never be taken away.

Robert J. Digan Memorial
Mr. Digan was born in Springfield, Massachusetts. He came to Connecticut in 1955 to work as a probation officer in Rockville. In 1960, he started the Youth Services Bureau for the Manchester Board of Education. This was the first Youth Services department in the state. He served as the Coordinator of the Youth Services Bureau for thirty-two years and retired in 1992. Mr. Digan served as a member and past president of the Manchester Scholarship Foundation. (This scholarship was established to benefit a student who has experienced difficulties in school and now will be pursuing additional education or training.)

David S. Dooman Memorial
David S. Dooman was born in New Britain and lived with his wife, Jean, in Bolton for over 55 years. Dave served in the US Army during the Korean War and was a lifetime member of the Army and Navy Club in Manchester. His passion and professional career in physical education and sports coaching touched the lives of many young people, many of whom became lifelong friends. Dave began teaching in 1957 at Barnard School (later Bennett Jr. High) as a science teacher, and four years later became a physical education teacher, which he continued until retiring in 1989. In his retirement years, Dave worked at Tallwood Country club. An active basketball and softball referee and umpire, he was a thirty-year member of both the IAAABO and ASA. A founding and lifelong member of the Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame, Dave was inducted into the Manchester Sports in 1992 for his contributions to Manchester’s sports culture. Dave was past resident of the Army and Navy Golf League and was a member of the Retired Teachers Association of Manchester. (Preference for this scholarship is given to a student athlete.

James & Isabel Worth Duffy Memorial
Mr. James Duffy was Manchester’s first and only full-time constable, a Republican leader, and a long-time Kiwanis member. His wife, the former Isabel Worth, established this scholarship after his death in 1967. She was a member of the Manchester High School faculty and head of the English Department for many years. A native of Nantucket, she was well known there as a talented soprano soloist.

Philomena K. Duffy and John J. Duffy, Sr. Memorial
Mr. John Duffy, born in Hartford, was raised in Ireland before returning to the United States. Mrs. Duffy was born in County Limerick, Ireland, and moved to the United States in 1936. Both Philomena and John were active in Manchester youth athletic programs and were employed by the Manchester Board of Education. (Preference for this scholarship is given to a female student athlete.)

Steven R. Dunfield Memorial
Steve, who lived in Manchester all his life, was a 1973 graduate of Manchester High School. He was killed in an automobile accident at the age of nineteen. (Preference for this scholarship is given to a Manchester High School senior.)

J. Bruce Eagleson IOH Memorial
Born in Manchester in 1948, Bruce attended Manchester schools and graduated from Manchester High in 1966. As a youth Bruce actively participated in many town activities, including basketball, baseball and football, and he played three years of varsity football in high school. Bruce was an avid swimmer, an accomplished trout fisherman and a fun loving recreational golfer. In the 1960’s Bruce
became passionately involved with the Instructors of the Handicapped Organization, and served as its president in 1966. He loved to volunteer with IOH and always looked forward to Sunday afternoons in the pool with the entire IOH family. After Bruce’s tragic death in the World Trade Center terrorist attacks of 2001, his many friends started the Eagles Cup Classic Golf Tournament, an annual event that helps fund the Bruce Eagleson Scholarship. (Because of Bruce’s passionate support of IOH, preference for this scholarship is given to a senior who has served as an IOH instructor.)

**William Edwards Memorial**

Mr. Edwards was a lifelong resident of Manchester. He taught social studies and U.S. history for over twenty-five years first at Bennet, then at Illing Middle School. In 1996 he received the Leavey Award from the National Freedoms Foundation of Valley Forge, Pennsylvania for a game he created and used with his eighth grade students. (Because of Mr. Edwards’ interests in chess, labor issues, the rights of others, and local history, preference for this scholarship is given to a student who has served as an IOH instructor.)

**Jonathan George Ellis Memorial**

Jonathan died in April 1966 just before his fifteenth birthday. He had a zest for life that continued even during his two-year battle with leukemia. He played his guitar in a band, enjoyed all sports, particularly skiing and baseball, and was an honor student. Jonathan’s parents, Mr. and Mrs. Neil Ellis, established this scholarship in his memory. (Preference is given to a student recovering from leukemia.)

**George J. Emmerling Memorial**

Mr. Emmerling was involved in educating Manchester students for over thirty years. He graduated from Bates College in Lewiston, Maine, but after World War II he decided to move to Manchester because he loved the people and town so much. In 1947 he began his career in education, initially as a history teacher at Manchester High School. After completing his Master’s and Sixth Year at the University of Connecticut, Mr. Emmerling became the principal of Manchester High School. Because of his love of working with students, after formally retiring, he continued in the field of education by tutoring, substitute teaching, and managing the Adult Evening School for many years. (Preference for this scholarship is given to a Manchester High School senior.)

**Louise C. England Scholarship**

As a lifetime resident of Manchester and a graduate of the Manchester school system and Syracuse University, Louise is grateful for the opportunity to assist local students in furthering their education. She has been active as a volunteer with Manchester Memorial Hospital and ECHN since 1980 having served as corporator, trustee, and past Chairman of the Board of Manchester Memorial Hospital. Louise owns, develops and manages various parcels of real estate in the area. She also raises dogs for the Fidelco Guide Dog Foundation and serves on its board of directors.

**Minnie Wortley England & Dr. Frederick England Memorial**

Mrs. England was born in Ireland and lived in Manchester for more than fifty years. She died in 1967 at the age of eighty. She was typical of many immigrants from Europe who had little or no education and who settled in Manchester in the early part of this century. They worked long and hard in order that their children could take advantage of the superior educational opportunities in Manchester and could go on to higher educational institutions elsewhere. Her son, Frederick, established the original scholarship. Frederick England, M.D., encouraged by his mother and sister, Edna, attended the University of Mississippi and earned a B. S. degree. He later was awarded a PhD in chemical engineering from the University of Iowa. Following a year as a research engineer in Buffalo, New York, he had a postdoctoral fellowship at M.I.T. He taught briefly at Illinois Institute of Technology. He enlisted in the Navy during World War II and served as an electronics officer. The ship’s doctor encouraged him to pursue a career in medicine, and he graduated from the Northwestern Medical School in 1954. Following internship at Los Angeles County Hospital and a residency at Ventura County Medical Center, he opened a practice in family medicine in Oxnard, California, which continued for thirty-three years. Dr. England died in March 1994.

**Theodore L. & Helen C. Fairbanks Memorial**

Mr. and Mrs. Fairbanks settled in Manchester in 1940. Mr. Fairbanks served on the Manchester Board of Directors for two terms during which he was chairman of the Building & Sites Committee and was instrumental in converting the Alms House to the police station. A police officer for ten years, he was Manchester’s only motorcycle patrolman. Prior to his retirement, Mr. Fairbanks was Director of Building & Grounds for the Manchester school system.

**Frances Hyde Forde Memorial**

Frances Hyde Forde, of Manchester and Grove Beach Point, lived all her life in the family home in Manchester. She attended local schools and graduated from Manchester High School in 1938 and later graduated from Connecticut College, New London in 1942. Following graduation from college she was employed as a State Social Worker and Adoption Supervisor for ten years in the then called Division of Child Welfare. She went on to obtain her Teaching Certification at Eastern Connecticut State University and taught at Nathan Hale School for 18 years – retiring in 1983. Frances served as a member and past Chairman of the Board of the Manchester Day Care Center. She was one of the original members of the Manchester Auxiliary of Child and Family Services. She was a member and past President of the Retired Teachers Association of Manchester. She maintained membership in the Hartford County Retired Teachers Association and also the Association of Retired Teachers of Connecticut. Other memberships include the Manchester Historical Society and the Older Adult Association of Manchester. (Preference for this scholarship is given to a student who plans to pursue a career in teaching.)

**Thomas F. and Vivian F. Ferguson Memorial**

Thomas Freeland Ferguson and his wife, Vivian Firato Ferguson were both Manchester natives. Thomas Freeland Ferguson was born in 1925 and passed away in 2002. Upon graduating from Manchester High School in 1942 Tom served in World War II with the U.S. Army Air Corps. After graduating in 1951 from Trinity College, Tom became co-publisher of his family’s daily newspaper, The Manchester Evening Herald. Tom helped found the Manchester Community College, the Manchester Elks, and the Jaycees, and
helped sponsor the Manchester Civic Orchestra. At age twenty-six Tom became the youngest bank director in Connecticut, serving with The Manchester Trust Co., and later chaired the associate board upon its merger with CBT. His extensive community service included serving as a long-term trustee of Manchester Memorial Hospital, a past president of Omar Shrine, Kiwanis, and other local organizations. Tom was also active in local and state Republican politics.

Vivian Firato Ferguson was born in 1925 and passed away in 2017. She graduated from Manchester High School in 1942 and went on to attend Hillyer College in Hartford. Before her marriage to Tom, Vivian was the Executive Secretary to the President of Cheney Brothers Silk Manufacturers. She led an extremely active life and was involved in numerous civic and social groups, including the Girl Scouts, the Auxiliary of Manchester Memorial Hospital and served as Chairman of the Hospital Auxiliary Gift Shops. She was a founding member of the Manchester Historical Society, Chairman of the Cheney Brothers National Historic District Commission and served as the appointed Town Historian for the Town of Manchester. Vivian was the Food Editor for the Manchester Evening Herald, and wrote the weekly column, ‘From Your Neighbor’s Kitchen’ and subsequently compiled four cookbooks from the articles that she wrote. She was also the host of her own radio show called ‘Vivian Ferguson’s Kitchen’ on WINF radio in Manchester. She served as an elected official on the Manchester Board of Directors for many years, was a member of the Manchester Republican Town Committee for 50 years and was also the longest serving Justice of the Peace in Manchester. Vivian was a licensed realtor and worked for 25 years at ERA Blanchard and Rossetto.

Karen Freund Scholarship
In every organization, there is a person who volunteers his/her efforts “beyond the call” in making the organization run smoothly. Karen Freund is such a person in the volunteer work she accomplishes with the Manchester Scholarship Foundation website. She is always available to many of the committees of the Foundation. Karen assisted us in setting up the electronic application procedures and continues to make modifications as needed. The Scholarship Foundation established this scholarship in her name in gratitude for all the work she has accomplished. (Preference will be for a student entering the field of computer technology.)

Harold David Garrity & Arlyne Garrity Memorial
Harold David and Arlyne, son and daughter of Attorney and Mrs. Harold W. Garrity, have been remembered in this scholarship. Harold David studied opera at the University of Miami, Florida, the Metropolitan, Rome, Italy and Geneva, Switzerland and has retired to Florida. Arlyne attended local schools and graduated from Emerson College and the University of Southern California. At the time of her death at age forty-three, she was a professor of speech at Mansfield University in Pennsylvania.

William A. Goodwin Memorial
Mr. Goodwin, a native of Needham, Massachusetts, graduated cum laude from the University of Hartford. He had been a resident of Manchester for twenty-one years at the time of his death in 2000. He was employed as a database administrator by the Connecticut Department of Social Services for over twenty-two years. As a student in Needham, he participated in many sports, including track and field, football and basketball. As an adult, he enjoyed hiking in the White Mountains and competing in bridge tournaments. (Preference for this scholarship is given to a Manchester High School student in the top twenty percent of the class who intends to major in math or science.)

John Gronda Memorial
Romolo John Gronda, a native of Hartford, raised his family and lived in Manchester for most of his life. After graduating from Hartford Public High in 1949, John served in the U.S. Army. In 1962, he graduated from the University of Hartford Business School, and for 39 years he enjoyed a career in the investment division of CIGNA, from which he retired in 1993. John was a faithful communicant at St. Bridget and was active in the Boy Scouts with his sons. A strong and avid family man, he was married to Jean Coffey Gronda for 58 years and left many children, grandchildren, great grandchildren and their spouses. All of whom he loved to entertain with his puns. John enjoyed painting, gardening, traveling, the beaches of Old Saybrook and the UConn Huskies. John’s loving family established this scholarship in his memory.

Stanley P. & Edith M. Grzyb Memorial
Stanley and Edith Grzyb were lifelong residents of Manchester and supporters of Manchester High School and the University of Connecticut. This perpetual scholarship in their memory was established upon their deaths in 2004. They were very active members of St. John’s Polish National Catholic Church, retirees of Pratt & Whitney Aircraft and active volunteers at the Newington Children’s Hospital, the Manchester Memorial Hospital, Muscular Dystrophy Association, the Leukemia Foundation and the American Red Cross. Stan was an athlete his entire life and was a proud member of the 1938-39 North End Tigers basketball team that went undefeated for forty-one games. “Edie and Stike” brought laughter and vitality into many a dance hall and their lifetime of giving touched countless lives. This extraordinary couple walked hand in hand through sixty-one years of marriage and made a positive difference wherever they went. They exhibited the finest qualities of respect, sharing and integrity. (Preference for this scholarship is given to a scholar athlete planning to attend the University of Connecticut.)

Charles R. Hamilton, Jr. M.D. Memorial
Charles R. Hamilton, Jr., M.D. was born in Brooklyn, New York, graduated from Cornell and Georgetown Universities and was a U.S. Army veteran of the Korean War. He served the Manchester community as a physician from 1953 until his passing in 2001. Dr. Hamilton’s work at Manchester Memorial Hospital included anaesthesiology, pulmonary medicine and ambulatory services. (Preference for this scholarship is given to a student of high academic standing with financial need, pursuing higher or continuing education in the field of nursing.)

Hedlund Family Scholarship
The Hedlund children are former recipients of the Manchester Scholarship Foundation awards. It gives the Hedlund Family great pleasure to give back to the community in which they grew up and to help Manchester students achieve their education goals.
Thomas M. and Kevin J. Henson Memorial

Kevin Henson graduated in 1973 from East Catholic High School and received an award from the Manchester Scholarship Foundation. He graduated from Catholic University with a bachelor of science in architecture and received his master’s degree in architecture from the University of Michigan. Prior to his death at the age of thirty-six, he worked at Centerbrook Architects. Thomas Henson attended Manchester High School. He received his GED and completed training at Technical Careers Institute as an electronics technician in 1987. He passed away at the age of forty-nine. (Preference for this scholarship is given to an East Catholic student pursuing the field of architecture or the arts.)

Beth R. Hoffman Memorial

Miss Hoffman, a former resident of West Hartford, enjoyed her career as a social worker for the Manchester school system. As head of the Social Work Department for a number of years, she was responsible for the expansion of social work services to all Manchester schools.

Matthew D. Hoffman Memorial

Matthew D. Hoffman was a “one of a kind guy”. He was the kind of a guy that when you met him, you felt instantly at ease and knew you were in the presence of someone remarkable. He embodied all of the characteristics of a great man and all of his life experiences led him there. In his early years, school did not come easily to him but he worked through his challenges with a smile on his face and a spark in his eye. As a high school student, only truly gifted teachers understood his sincere approach to life while grappling with the high school curriculum. Matty’s struggles to learn were not obstacles to him; they were stepping stones to prove he could and would do what he wanted on his own time and in his own way. Matty graduated from RHAM High School in 1995. After attempting the typical college route, he decided to go to trade school. The mold of a traditional college experience was not his path. Instead, all of his best qualities: strong work ethic, dependability and adaptability led him into a successful career as an electrician. He was licensed at New England Institute of Technology in 1999 and continued on to earn his journeyman status. Unfortunately Matthew Hoffman left this world on September 1, 2015. In his honor and in honor of those who may also struggle yet have the gift and desire to make their way in this world, the Matthew D. Hoffman Scholarship was established in 2016. (Preference for this scholarship is for a graduating senior entering a four-year college or university and planning to major in the field of art.)

Judge Charles S. House Memorial

Charles S. House, a Manchester native, who served as the Chief Justice of the Connecticut Supreme Court, graduated from Manchester High School and Williston Academy, then received an undergraduate degree from Harvard College. Upon graduating from Harvard Law School, he returned to Manchester to practice law as a member of the firm of Day, Berry and Howard in Hartford. During his career, Judge House was chairman of the Manchester Board of Education, a state representative, minority leader of the State Senate, an assistant state’s attorney, and legal adviser to Governor John Lodge. He was appointed to the Connecticut Superior Court in 1953 and to the Connecticut Supreme Court in 1965. In 1971 he became Connecticut’s twenty ninth Chief Justice and served for seven years. During his tenure, he was elected Chairman of the National Conference of Chief Justices.

Dorothy E., Harold W. & Roger H. Hubbard Memorial

Mr. and Mrs. Hubbard were long time residents of Manchester, Mr. Hubbard for 43 years, Mrs. Hubbard for 93 years. Harold worked for the Hartford Courant as superintendent of the stereotype department. He served as the President of the New England Newspapers Mechanical Conference Board of Directors and was a member of the Thomas Green Club of the Courant. Locally, Harold enjoyed his membership in the Masonic Lodge. Dorothy graduated from Manchester High School, where she swam on the swim team. She worked in the Manchester Town Hall for 23 years before her retirement in 1978. Dorothy was an active member of the South United Methodist Church, the Manchester Grange, and the Senior Center. Roger H. Hubbard, their son, was a lifelong resident of Manchester and a 1967 graduate of Manchester High School. He went on to earn certification in electronics from New England Technical College, Pratt and Whitney Electrical Training and an Associate Degree in Science from Manchester Community College. He was employed as an electronics technician at Data Captures Solution of Ellington. (Preference for this scholarship is given to a student pursuing a career in the printing industry, photography, journalism, or graphic arts.)

Elmore & Elizabeth Humphries Memorial

Mr. Humphries (“Red”), born in Manchester, was a lifelong resident who worked as a material supervisor with Pratt & Whitney until retirement. He served during World War II with the U.S. Army, and he received a Purple Heart. Mrs. Humphries (“Liz”), also a lifelong Manchester resident, was a self-employed artist whose paintings were widely exhibited in Manchester. (Preference for this scholarship is given to a student entering a four-year college or university and planning to major in the field of art.)

Arthur H. & Rose G. Illing Memorial

Born in Buckinghamshire, England, Mr. Illing was superintendent of schools in Manchester from 1935 to 1961, a period when Manchester built numerous schools - Waddell, Bowers, Buckley, Verplanck, and Keeney Street. Illing Junior High School (now Illing Middle School), which was named in his honor, was also built during his tenure. He was instrumental in establishing audio-visual aids in the classroom, providing social work services in the schools, and initiating a program for students with speech impediments. His wife, Rose, died in 1990.

Nancy Dunfield Jackson Memorial

Nancy Jackson was born in Hartford but lived most of her life in Manchester. After graduating from Manchester High School in 1965 she went on to Central Connecticut State University where she graduated with a Bachelor of Arts degree. She was active in softball and volleyball, but in recent years her enthusiasm turned to gardening and knowledgeable bird watching. She was employed for most of her working career in the accounting field. (Preference for this scholarship is given to a graduate of Manchester High School.)
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**Charles E. and Irma W. Jacobson, Jr. Scholarship**
Created by their children, this fund honors “Pat” and Charlie Jacobson for their service to Manchester and for their lifelong commitment to expanding educational opportunities for others. As world travelers, Pat and Charlie have always believed that education is a lifelong process and that good citizenship requires an understanding of the world’s many peoples, places, and cultures.

Charlie was a graduate of Trinity College, Cornell Medical School, and the University of Minnesota. He came of Manchester in 1946 and resided there until his death in 2010. He practiced urology until his retirement in 1981, and served as president of the Lutz Children’s Museum, chairman of the Manchester Beautification Committee, and chairman of the Manchester United Way. He founded Manchester’s Memorial Tree Program and administered the Manchester Road Race Blood Drive for almost twenty years.

Pat was raised in Hartford and graduated from Bay Path College. She served during World War II with the American Red Cross in Manila and from 1950-52 with the Civil Service attached to the U.S. Air Force in Central Europe. Pat worked at United Aircraft from 1953 to 1971. She has served as treasurer and membership chair of Manchester Memorial Hospital Auxiliary and remains a member of the Auxiliary and Child and Family Services. (Preference for this scholarship is given to a student with financial need.)

**Peggy and Wells Jacobson Scholarship**
Created by Pat and Charlie Jacobson, long time supporters of the Manchester Scholarship Foundation, this scholarship sustains Wells and Peggy’s efforts to assist local students in furthering their education. Wells, a retired physician, and Peggy, a retired attorney and educator, recognize the value of education for individuals and for society at large. They happily join the many members of the community who promote this cause. (Preference for this scholarship is given to a student with financial need.)

**Alexander and Alice C. Jarvis Memorial**
Mr. Alexander Jarvis and the numerous companies he established are credited for the construction of roadways, bridges, offices, and homes throughout Manchester and northern Connecticut. A major contractor, realtor and developer in both the commercial and residential areas, he especially enjoyed building and operating bowling alleys from Vernon to Windsor Locks, as he and his wife, Alice C. Jarvis, loved to bowl. After Mr. Jarvis passed away in 1974, Mrs. Jarvis ran the companies for twenty-eight years before passing away in 2002. During their lives Mr. and Mrs. Jarvis supported the Manchester community, and particularly their church, with generous donations that were usually anonymous. Upon the passing of Mrs. Jarvis, town-wide non-profit entities benefited greatly from their estate. Because of the very generous bequest from the Estate of Mr. and Mrs. Jarvis to the Manchester Scholarship Foundation, for the first time in its history the Foundation is able to offer long-term multiple-year scholarships to some of its traditional recipients.

**William R. Johnson Memorial**
Mr. Johnson was employed at the Savings Bank of Manchester for over thirty years, serving as its president from 1975 to 1988. After his retirement, he continued to be active in the community, serving as a trustee of the Manchester Community College and as a director of the Manchester Community College Foundation. He was named an Honorary Life Director of the Manchester Scholarship Foundation. Mr. Johnson, active in many other community organizations, was also known for his talent as Master of Ceremonies.

**Kennedy Family Fund**
The Kennedy family established this scholarship upon Dr. James P. Kennedy’s retirement in 1996, after twenty-four years as Manchester’s superintendent of schools. The Kennedy family named the fund in remembrance of their daughter, Judith, who lived for just over a year, and Katherine, his wife, who died in 2003. (Preference for this scholarship is given to a Manchester High School student pursuing a career in teaching.)

**Andrew J. Knofla Memorial**
Andy was born in Manchester, educated at local schools, and graduated from Manchester High School in 1984. At the time of his death at age twenty-two from an automobile accident, he was employed as an auto body mechanic. (Preference for this scholarship is given to a student graduating from Manchester High School or Howell Cheney Technical School who is planning to attend a technical school and who plans to pursue a career in the technical trades.)

**L. Audrey Knofla Memorial**
Audrey Waddell loved Manchester. She spent her entire life in Manchester except for a few years in Washington, D.C. where she worked as a secretary in the office of Connecticut Senator Prescott Bush. After raising her five children, Audrey spent twenty-five years as a beloved child-care provider at a local day care center. (This scholarship is awarded to a female graduate of Manchester High School planning a career in the secretarial field or in early childhood education.)

**Edward Anthony Kovis Memorial**
Edward Anthony Kovis was born in Manchester, CT and graduated from the State Trade School of Manchester in 1933 as a silk worker. He played baseball for the St. Louis Cardinals on two of their farm teams. He pitched for the Cambridge Cardinals in 1937 and the Martinsville Manufacturers in 1938. Edward returned to Connecticut and was recruited to pitch for United Air’s baseball team. He worked as a machinist/welder for Pratt and Whitney. He also played in Manchester basketball leagues and was on the Polish - American team in the late 1930’s. He was inducted into the Greater Hartford Twilight Baseball League Hall of Fame in 1987. In 1989 he was honored as one of Manchester’s outstanding athletes by the West Side Old Timers Committee. Additionally, he served his country in WWII. (Preference for this scholarship is given to an East Catholic High School graduate who demonstrates both academic and athletic excellence in basketball and/or baseball.)

**Nicholas L. Krascella Memorial**
Dr. Krascella graduated from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute. He did his graduate work at Syracuse University and Massachusetts Institute of Technology, and he was a senior research scientist at the United Technologies Research Center. He served in the U. S. Navy and was a past director of the Manchester Scholarship
Foundation. Because of his great affinity for education, this memorial scholarship was established to help students with intent to major in the arts or sciences. (Preference for this scholarship is given to a student planning to attend Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute or planning a career in the sciences or in the arts.)

Judy-Arin Krupp Memorial
“Life’s a marathon, be in it!” was Judy Krupp’s motto. She lived that motto daily. A well-known consultant on adult development, adult education, self-esteem, and stress management, she facilitated workshops and spoke before corporations and educational organizations worldwide. Judy wrote several books and numerous articles. Judy experienced each season to the fullest by jogging, bicycling, hiking, camping, skiing, rollerblading, and gardening. Her continual pursuit of challenges led her to run the Boston Marathon several times, the first time when she was fifty-two years old. Judy was the mother of four children (all Manchester High School graduates) and a grandmother. In 1994, at fifty-seven years young, Judy died in a random, inexplicable accident while biking with her husband. Because of her twenty-year interest in the Thanksgiving Day Manchester Road Race, the Manchester Road Race Committee decided to name the trophy awarded to the winner of the female 40-49 division in memory of Judy Krupp. (Preference for this scholarship is given to a Manchester High School student pursuing a teaching career.)

Veronica Kuligowski Memorial
A native of Manchester, Veronica Kuligowski resided in the town throughout her entire life and worked at Cheney Brothers for over 38 years. She was very active at St. Bridget’s Church where parishioners knew her as a quite energetic, warm and charming lady. Veronica highly valued education in general and generously supported non-profits linked to educational pursuits. She also supported many other non-profits in the Manchester area and will be remembered as a very generous and productive friend and neighbor.

John B. and Alice M. Lamenzo Memorial
Born in 1907, Alice Marshall came to live in Manchester in 1927, where she was a vital member of the community for the next seventy years. One of her first teaching positions was at the Nathan Hale School in Manchester. While earning her degree in child development at St. Joseph College, Alice established the Hilltop Nursery School, which she ran for thirty-six years. She is well remembered as a guiding influence and affectionate presence in the early lives of generations of children entrusted to her care. A longtime member of St. James Church, the Democratic Party and the League of Women Voters, she also served for many years as the county president of the Association of Young Children. In 1958 she was elected to the Board of Directors of Manchester. Alice, known for her kindness to all, possessed a zest for travel and adventure, and lived the ninety years of her life to the fullest.

John B. Lamenzo, born in 1900, lived most of his eighty-one years in Manchester. After graduating from Manchester High School in 1918, he earned a degree in engineering from Pratt Institute of Technology. During WWII John served as a major at a home-based post. For forty-four years he held an executive position with the Hartford Insurance Group, and following retirement, established his own management consultant business. John’s commitment to civil projects began in the 1950’s when he was active in Manchester’s Civil Defense program. In the 1960’s he was a well-respected chairman of the Planning and Zoning Board. John was known for his leadership ability, culinary talent, and magnanimous smile.

Married in 1931, Alice and John had the pleasure of celebrating their fiftieth wedding anniversary in 1981. Together they raised six children. They believed that a good education was one of the greatest keys to success. In both their personal and civic endeavors, they shared an instinctive and abiding commitment to their family and to the greater Manchester community.

Robert & Erna Loomis Memorial
Robert and Erna Loomis had a great love for children of any age. Erna spent her career teaching in Manchester public schools. She and her husband, Robert, each made bequests to the Manchester Scholarship Foundation. Robert also established a scholarship in their names at M.I.T., his alma mater. Erna and Robert both gave to the Friends of Mount Allison University, Erna’s alma mater. Each of them made generous bequests in their wills to local organizations supporting children and young people, such as Connecticut Children’s Medical Center, the Lutz Junior Museum, and area high school libraries. Mr. and Mrs. Loomis both led quiet lives, but left a strong and lasting legacy. (Preference for this scholarship is given to a Manchester High School student in the first quintile who has financial need and good character.)

P. Melvin Lumpkin Memorial
Mr. Lumpkin was born in New Britain and was a Navy veteran of the Korean Conflict. He graduated from Boston University and Hartt College of Music at the University of Hartford. Mr. Lumpkin was a music teacher at Bennet Junior High School from 1962 until his retirement in 1991 and was chairman of the music department at the time of his retirement. He was organist and choirmaster at Emanuel Lutheran Church for over twenty years. The 1968 recipient of the Manchester Jaycees “Outstanding Young Educator” Award, Mr. Lumpkin also served on the Board of Directors of the Manchester Symphony Orchestra. (Preference for this scholarship is given to a student who attended Bennet Junior High, was a member of Emanuel Lutheran Church, and who is pursuing the study of music or education.)

The Lynch Family Scholarship
Michael B. Lynch, born in New Jersey in 1939, grew up in Irvington, New York. He attended Fordham University where he received a bachelor’s degree in economics. He married Mary Margaret Moriarty shortly after college and moved to Connecticut where he worked for his father-in-law, local car dealer Matthew M. Moriarty. In 1970 at the age of thirty-one he opened his own business and ran a successful car dealership operation for over thirty years. Mr. Lynch strongly supported his community in many ways helping innumerable good causes and any organization that requested his support. A proud board member of the Eastern Connecticut Health Network and the Savings Bank of Manchester, he also raised six children. His wife, Mary Margaret Moriarty Lynch, was born in Manchester and attended local schools, graduating from Manchester High School in 1957. She was the first president of the Instructors of the Handicapped and was active in school affairs such as Student Council and Round Table Singers. She graduated from the College of New Rochelle in New York. At the time of her death in an automobile accident at age thirty-two, she was president of the Lutz Junior Volunteer League.
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**Ralph Maccarone Memorial**
Ralph Maccarone taught at Illing Junior High School for 33 years, inspiring generations of students with his love and passion or music. He was an accomplished singer, pianist, and conductor, having received his Bachelor’s and Master’s degrees at the Hartt College of Music. He was a decorated veteran of World War II, having fought in the European Theater. Settling in Manchester after the war, Mr. Maccarone served as director of the Manchester Chorale, music director and cantor at St. James Church, musical direct for many Little Theatre of Manchester productions, and private piano and voice teacher. As a lasting tribute to his form belief that music should be available to all, he was a founding member of the Manchester Bicentennial Band Shell Committee that built the band shell on the campus of Manchester Community College and served as its program director for almost 20 years. (Preference for this scholarship is given to a student planning to pursue the study of music.)

**Maffe Family Scholarship in Memory of Joan “Chris” Maffe**
Mrs. Maffe, born in Rockville, lived in Manchester for twenty-six years and was employed at Manchester State Bank. (Preference for this scholarship is given to a girl who is planning a career in business.)

**Mary & Michael Massaro Memorial**
Mr. Massaro, born in Manchester, was a lifelong resident. Prior to his retirement he owned and operated Massaro’s West Side for thirty-five years. Active in many community affairs, he was also past president of the Eighth Utilities District and a veteran of World War II, having served in the United States Coast Guard. (Preference for this scholarship is given to a student with financial need who is planning a career in the culinary arts.)

**Anna E. McCann Memorial**
A well-known Manchester teacher, Anna E. McCann began her full-time teaching career at the South School, a small brick schoolhouse now known as the Lutz Children’s Museum. At first, the school’s students were relatively few in number, so Mrs. McCann taught first, second and third grades, but as that part of Manchester grew, so did the school, and Mrs. McCann dedicated herself solely to the first grade. After many years there, Mrs. McCann continued her teaching career at Manchester Green School, now known as the Senior Center. Anna loved teaching the first grade and said that she never wanted to be promoted during her teaching years. She imparted to her family the high value she placed on education. Anna retired in 1970 after having taught school in Manchester for 26 years. The scholarship is being re-established as a result of a bequest in the Will of Elva McCann, Anna’s daughter. (This scholarship is awarded to a graduate of Manchester High School with financial need.)

**Conrad “Connie” McCurry Memorial**
A lifelong Manchester resident, Conrad – known as Connie – graduated from Manchester High School and from Keene State College. He was an outstanding athlete and was chosen as best all-around athlete in his high school class, excelling in baseball, basketball and soccer. At the time of his death at age twenty-seven, Connie was an industrial arts teacher at Manchester High School. The Manchester High Basketball Team honors Connie by awarding the Conrad McCurry Most Valuable Player Award each year to their top basketball player. (Preference for this scholarship is given to a Manchester High School senior who is planning a career in vocational/technical areas or who has been active in sports at Manchester High.)

**Marion & Frederick McCurry Memorial**
Fred McCurry came to the United States as a young orphan from Northern Ireland. He lived in Manchester most of his life and was employed by Northeast Utilities for forty years. He married Marion Apel, a Manchester native, and they raised four children in the Manchester community. Emphasizing the importance of a college education, they managed to provide each of their four children with a college education. When their youngest son, Conrad, a local teacher, died in 1982, they established a scholarship in his memory. After the death of Fred in 1996, Marion carried out his wishes by establishing a scholarship in their names so that deserving Manchester High School graduates could further their education. Marion passed away in 2004. (The recipient of this scholarship must be a Manchester High School senior.)

**Gioconda B. McGettigan Memorial**
Gioconda Baliano McGettigan was born and raised in Manchester, and after graduating from Manchester High School in the late 1930’s, she moved to East Hartford and started her career. Having lost her father to an epidemic when he was in his 40’s, Gioconda grew up to be an independent, self-supporting and accomplished young lady. Initially, Gioconda worked in G. Fox’s Photography Studio, where she artistically colored in the black-and-white photos. During World War II, she volunteered for the Red Cross and served in Japan. After the war, Gioconda worked for many years as the Executive Secretary to the CEO of Hamilton Standard. Gioconda married Arthur McGettigan in the 1960’s and moved to Batavia, New York, where they resided throughout her husband’s long career as an attorney and judge. After her husband’s death, Mrs. McGettigan returned to the Manchester area to be closer to family and old friends, and she resided in East Hartford until her death in 2016, at the age of 96. Mrs. McGettigan and her husband always supported many charities, and this scholarship was established by a generous bequest in Mrs. McGettigan’s Will.

**Brian Page McIntosh/IOH Memorial**
Brian was born in Manchester and attended local schools. He graduated from Manchester High School in 1965 where he was a member of the Varsity Club and swim team. Active in the Instructors of the Handicapped, he was vice president during his senior year. At the time of his death at age twenty-five, he was a senior at the University of Connecticut majoring in psychology. (Preference for this scholarship is given to a student who has been active in IOH.)

**Edward J. McNamara & Mary A. McNamara Memorial**
Mrs. McNamara and her husband resided for many years in New York City where he was an insurance executive. They moved to Manchester where they spent their retirement years. While they had no children, their love of children led to the establishment of this scholarship.
John S. & Elizabeth Weir Miner Memorial
Mrs. Miner, who died at the age of ninety-one, was born in Manchester and was a lifelong resident.

Barry Mitchell Memorial Scholarship
Barry “Mitch” Mitchell was a beloved security guard at Manchester High School for 18 years. Mitch was a large, physically imposing man, but his warm heart and smile were what made him special. It would be hard to find a student who attended Manchester High during those 18 years that didn’t know, like, and respect Mitch. He was a protector, mentor and confidant of both students and staff. When Mitch suddenly died of a heart attack in 2017, the entire high school went first into shock, and then into mourning. The school allowed any student who wished to leave for the day to do so. Hundreds of students attended the memorial for Mitch. His lasting legacy is the positive impact he had on so many young people in Manchester.

In 2017 the Manchester Elks Club chose lifelong Manchester resident and owner of the Mulberry Restaurant, Danita Sulick, as its Citizen of the Year. Danita asked that the funds raised at the dinner honoring her be used to fund a scholarship with the Manchester Scholarship Foundation in honor of Barry Mitchell. The Barry Mitchell Scholarship will be awarded to Manchester High School graduates, with a preference for students who will be entering careers helping others such as teaching, nursing or social work.

Julia Jean Moran Memorial
Julia Jean Moran lived one of the most inspiring and courageous lives imaginable. Although her life was far too short, she moved through it with a grace that astounded everyone who had the joy of getting to know her. Julia was born with a rare disorder, Hurler’s Syndrome, which quietly weakened all of her body’s functions until it exhausted her ability to survive. During her six years, she underwent a bone marrow transplant and other extreme medical procedures too numerous to count. She was a powerful presence and touched every heart with the same inimitable spirit of strength and grace. She still touches those who knew her. Julia was a beloved native of Manchester. (Preference for this scholarship is given to a student planning a career in medicine or humanitarian efforts.)

Edward F. Moriarty Memorial
Mr. Moriarty was referred to as the dean of Manchester elected officials and was Democratic registrar of voters for more than thirty-eight consecutive years. A retired painting contractor, he was a lifelong resident of the North End. He served several terms as a director of the Eighth School and Utilities District and was active in numerous community organizations. (Preference for this scholarship is given to Manchester High School and East Catholic seniors with financial need and who have participated in community service activities.)

Daniel B. & Muriel Mosler Scholarship
Mr. and Mrs. Mosler established this scholarship in 1996 to be given to a student planning a career in the healthcare field. (The recipient of this scholarship must be a Manchester High School senior interested in pursuing a career in the field of healthcare.)

Lorna C. Moyer Memorial
Mrs. Moyer, wife of Dr. Winfield Moyer, was born and raised in Nova Scotia where she acquired a nursing degree. She was active in community affairs and was a volunteer for the Penny Saver, Red Cross Bloodmobile, and MACC Food Pantry. (Preference for this scholarship is given to a student planning a career in nursing or special education.)

John R. Mrosek Memorial
Mr. Mrosek, a Manchester attorney for thirty-one years, was born in Manchester and attended local schools. He was a graduate of Clark University and Columbia Law School. Prior to his death at age fifty-six, he had been a Director and Legal Counsel for the Savings Bank of Manchester for over twenty-five years. He was a trustee of South United Methodist Church, a director of the Chamber of Commerce, past president of Kiwanis Club, and a member of the Library Board. He was a member of both the Manchester and the American Bar Associations.

Frederick G. Nassiff Memorial
Mr. Nassiff, a prominent member of the Main Street business community, owned and operated the Nassiff Arms Sports Company. He was an avid supporter of the Manchester sports programs and was the first recipient of the Friends of Sports Award from the Manchester Sports Hall of Fame. A past president of Rotary Club and the Greater Manchester Chamber of Commerce, he was also known for being a rifle instructor, a fly-fishing expert, and a sponsor of numerous athletic teams.

Sarah C. Nicholson Memorial
Sarah Nicholson was born in Rumford, Maine, but lived most of her life in Manchester and Bolton. She graduated from Manchester High School in 1986 where she was a member of the National Honor Society, Tri-Captain of the girls’ soccer team, and active in other sports. Sarah graduated from Brown University in 1990, where she had been a member of the soccer and ski teams. Sarah illustrated her passion for life through her gifts of music, sports, intellect, and her service to others. Odyssey Adventures employed her as a youth tour director. (Preference for this scholarship is given to a female Manchester High School senior who is a member of the National Honor Society.)

Charles H. Norris, Jr. Memorial
Charles H. “Charlie” Norris, Jr. was a lifelong Manchester resident. After graduation from Manchester High School, he served in the Korean War with the U. S. Army Medical Corps. He touched the lives of many young folks during his over 25 years as a driving instructor for the American Driving School. Mr. Norris’s passion was music. An accomplished trombonist, he played in various jazz bands in the Hartford area, including the Dixieland Four Plus One and the Coon Sanders Nighthawks. (This scholarship is awarded to a student pursuing studies in the field of music.)

Barbara K. O’Brien Memorial
Barbara K. (Fargo) O’Brien was born in Boston, Massachusetts, and was a Manchester resident for thirty-eight years until her death in 1996. She and her husband, Bill, raised three children, who all attended Manchester public schools. An avid reader and lifelong learner, she emphasized the importance of an education and...
instilled a love of learning in her children and grandchildren. (The recipient of this scholarship must be a student with financial need who is planning to attend a Connecticut state college or university.)

**Abraham L. Ostrinsky Memorial**
Mr. Ostrinsky was born in Manchester and graduated from Manchester High School in the Class of 1938B. At the time of his death he was vice-president of Ostrinsky, Inc., a local recycling firm. A veteran of World War II, he served with the Army Air Corps, receiving the Air Medal seventeen times during his tour of duty.

**Dale A. Ostrout Memorial**
Dale Ostrout was born in Manchester and attended Manchester public schools. He grew up playing youth sports in town. He graduated from Manchester High School in 1968, where he lettered in three sports: football, basketball, and baseball. He dedicated many years of his adult life to coaching youth sports, covering many age groups of children, many seasons of the year, and several towns in the state. His enthusiasm and dedication to coaching were tireless, and born of his love of sports and working with kids. (The recipient of this scholarship must have financial need, must have maintained a B average, and must have participated in football, basketball or baseball.)

**Rosemarie and John Papa Scholarship**
Rosemarie and John Papa are residents of Manchester and have been active in the Manchester community. Rosemarie is employed as a substitute teacher in Manchester and is a past president of the Manchester Scholarship Foundation. She is also on the Board of Trustees for ECHN and a member of the board of the Manchester Community College Foundation. John is an attorney with Howard, Kohn, Sprague and FitzGerald with offices in Hartford and Manchester. He is a member of the Hartford Bar Association and a past president of the Manchester Bar Association. He is active with St. Bridget Church and the Manchester Fourth of July Celebration. (The recipient of this scholarship must be within the top twenty percent of the class academically.)

**Grace Paprzyca Memorial**
Grace Paprzyca began her thirty-year career with the Manchester Board of Education as an elementary school teacher and then worked as a media specialist until her retirement in 2000. Many of those years were spent at Nathan Hale School. Her love of children’s literature, her gentle insistence on high standards, and her gifted ability to reach all children made her classroom and her library favorite places for kindergarteners through fifth graders to find themselves. Grace loved the natural world and expressed her respect for the environment and for her community through her involvement in several organizations devoted to the betterment and enjoyment of the outdoors. (Preference for this scholarship is given to a student who attended Nathan Hale Elementary School and who will pursue teaching or the study of literature.)

**George M. & Anna G. Pazianos Memorial**
Mr. and Mrs. Pazianos, both born in Greece, were long-time residents of Manchester. Mr. Pazianos, who came to Manchester at the age of sixteen in 1916, worked at Cheney Brothers and attended night school to learn English. He started the Princess Candy Kitchen and later, after receiving the first liquor license in Manchester, he owned and operated the Princess Restaurant on Main Street for many years. He was the recipient of the Ella Grasso Twentieth Century Pilgrim Award. (The recipient of this scholarship must be a Manchester High School senior.)

**Herbert A. Phelon Jr. Memorial**
Herbert A. Phelon Jr. was a life-long resident of Manchester. He graduated from Manchester High School, served in the Army Air Corp. during World War II, attended Wesleyan University and received a law degree from the University of Connecticut. He practiced law in town for over thirty years. He was active in a wide variety of community activities; some of these included coaching rookie league basketball and baseball, serving on the Board of Education, and the boards of the Child Guidance Clinic, the Parking Authority and the Board of Tax Review. Attorney Phelon’s family established this scholarship in his memory. (Preference for this scholarship is given to a student who will attend a four-year college.)

**Dorothy (Keeney) Porcheron & Charles A. Keeney Memorial**
Mrs. Porcheron was a resident of Manchester for most of her life. She was a music teacher and taught privately. She also was a charter member of the Chaminade Music Club. Mr. Keeney, affectionately known as “Buzz” was a long-time science teacher at Manchester High School and the son of Dorothy Keeney Porcheron. He was born and educated in Manchester, graduating from Manchester High School in 1956. He graduated from Central Connecticut State College. “Buzz” was a well-known local sports figure having played basketball both at Manchester High School and at Central and was a member of the Manchester recreational basketball team that won the town championship for two straight years. (Preference for this scholarship is given to a student who will attend a four-year college.)

**Sean Prescott Memorial**
Sean was born in Manchester and attended Buckley School where he was in the fifth grade at the time of his death in 1978. He was a very bright, vivacious boy who brought a good deal of joy and laughter into the lives of everyone who knew him. An active skier, Sean was awarded a first place trophy for winning the ski race for his age group during the ski races sponsored by Manchester State Bank. He was active also in the Manchester youth soccer program. (Preference for this scholarship is given to a Manchester High School student who has participated in a varsity sport, preferably soccer.)

**Katie Reid Memorial**
Katie grew up in Manchester, graduating from Manchester High School in 2006 and Sacred Heart University in 2010 with a degree in Criminal Justice. She played on the MHS tennis team, but soccer was Katie’s true passion; starring on high school, college and premier teams, she even traveled to Europe to play. Her second passion was animals, in particular her dog, Jax, who passed away on the same day as his beloved owner. This scholarship was established by Katie’s friends, who wanted to always remember her contagious laugh and zest for life. (Preference for this scholarship is given to a student who participated in and loved the game of soccer at MHS).
Andrea Susan Reischerl Memorial
Andrea was a life-long resident of Manchester and graduated from Manchester High School in 1992. Throughout her four years at Manchester High she was a member of the track and cross-country teams and was co-captain of cross-country in her senior year. Music and writing were continual interests for her. At the time of her death, Andrea was a senior at Smith College. (Preference for this scholarship is given to a young woman graduate from Manchester High School, East Catholic High School, or Howell Cheney Technical School planning to attend a private college.)

Edward A. and Shirley D. Ristau Scholarship
Lifelong residents of Manchester and graduates of Manchester High School, Mr. and Mrs. Ristau raised three children who attended Manchester schools. As recipients of scholarships from the Manchester Scholarship Foundation, their children were able to pursue undergraduate and graduate educations, achieving a dream their parents had for them. This scholarship is established for deserving graduates of Manchester, East Catholic or Howell Cheney Technical High Schools to pursue their college education.

Chester and Ruth Robinson Memorial
Mr. Robinson (“Chet”) and Mrs. Robinson (Ruth) were born in Warren, Maine. Chet spent the years from 1922 to 1958 at Manchester High School where for many years he was the only teacher of physics and chemistry. He administered the Adult Education Program, taught aeronautics after earning his pilot’s license, and was vice principal of Manchester High School from 1934 until his retirement in 1958. He and Ruth were married in Warren in 1927. She was a registered nurse but became a homemaker. During World War II she returned to her profession and worked at Manchester Memorial Hospital, retiring in 1958. After retiring they spent longer periods at their summer home in Cushing, Maine, moving there permanently in 1962 where Chet took up lobstering full time. (The recipient of this scholarship must be a Manchester High School senior.)

Harold H. Robinson, III Memorial Scholarship
Harold H. “Rob” Robinson III was born in Manchester and attended Buckley School, Iling Junior High School, and Manchester High School, Class of 1984. He took his religious education classes at St. Bartholomew Church. He always loved reading and writing and went on to major in English at the University of Connecticut, from which he graduated in 1988. Rob was a runner and strove to keep both mind and body fit. He also had a great love of music – all types. He played several instruments. He was a “finder” of both great musicians and great authors. His creative mind added to his deep appreciation of literature and music and led him to self-expression through writing and art. After graduation he sought jobs in journalism and for a time was a teacher at Assumption School in Manchester. He was a loving boy and a loving man whose life ended too soon at the age of 24 as the result of a car accident. His sense of fairness, his sense of humor, his sense of goodness live on. (Preference for this scholarship is given to a Manchester High graduate who has shown an interest in reading and writing.)

Carl and Barbara K. Rohrbach Memorial
Barbara Keeney Rohrbach was born and raised in Manchester and graduated from Manchester High School. She served as “room mom” for all her children when they were in Manchester elementary schools and was actively involved in supporting both her children and grandchildren in school activities. Carl Rohrbach was born in East Aurora, New York and graduated from the University of Michigan. He worked at United Technologies for forty-five years, retiring in 1987. For many years after his retirement he was a reading tutor for second graders at Buckley School. Both Barbara and Carl admired the student who embraced the importance of education as well as achievement in both student affairs and sports and established this perpetual scholarship to recognize those values. (The recipient of this scholarship must have financial need. Preference for this scholarship is given to a student who has high academic standing and strong achievements in extra curricular activities.)

Thomas E. Rollason Memorial
Mr. Rollason was employed as a vice president of Connecticut Bank and Trust where he worked for forty years. He also was manager of the Manchester Credit Union after his retirement from the bank. A charter member of the Manchester Civician Club, he served as its treasurer for many years. In addition, Mr. Rollason was a member of the Manchester Historical Society, a director of the Manchester Scholarship Foundation and a director of the Visiting Nurse and Home Care of Manchester.

Barbara G. Ross Memorial
Born in Manchester and a graduate of East Catholic High School, Mrs. Barbara Ross was a first grade teacher at Nathan Hale School for seventeen years before transferring to Highland Park School during the year of her death at age forty. She was voted Teacher of the Year 1988-1989 at Nathan Hale School.

Virginia Ryan Memorial
Born in Manchester in 1919, the only child of Harry Ryan and Jenny (Mach) Ryan, Virginia Ryan lived almost her entire life in the Charter Oak Street neighborhood. She attended local schools and was valedictorian of the Class of 1937 at Manchester High School. Virginia earned her Bachelor of Arts Degree from Colby College with a dual major in Social Services and History and Government in 1941. She attended the Older Adult Group at Manchester Community College and pursued other courses of study to further her career as a social worker. Virginia retired as a supervisor with the State of Connecticut Department of Social Services after 43 years of service. She was a lifelong member of South United Methodist Church in Manchester, an avid tennis player, and a movie buff, and she enjoyed local live theater. Virginia was a member of the Manchester Senior Citizens Center, participated actively with the AARP 1275, and traveled extensively throughout the world. For many years before her recent passing, Virginia donated generously to the Manchester Scholarship Foundation as well as to many other Manchester charities. (Preference for this scholarship is given to a student ranking in the top 10% of the class and planning to attend a four-year college or university.)

Raymond A. & Helen E. St. Laurent Memorial
Mr. and Mrs. St. Laurent were long-time Manchester residents and both were active in civic, educational and charitable activities. The St. Laurens were always interested in the lives and activities of young people and, especially, their education. It is with this
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scholarship that their hopes of helping others to further their education will be fulfilled.

David and Pauline Saunders Memorial
David and Pauline Saunders lived in Manchester and raised four children during a time period of over 60 years. They were both artistic, sports-minded and loved books. They were also involved in their children’s education at Manchester High School and enjoyed the many academic opportunities, athletic activities and extracurricular events offered. David Saunders, an engineer, pianist, runner, biker, musician and woodworker, invented the chute system for the Thanksgiving Day Road Race, and Pauline Saunders was a media specialist at East Hartford school for over 30 years. (This scholarship is awarded to a graduate of Manchester High with financial need.)

Edna Samuelson Schufft Memorial
A career elementary school teacher, Edna Samuelson Schufft was born in Manchester and graduated from Manchester High School. She taught at Highland Park School and Tolland elementary schools for twenty-one years before retiring in 1969. In her Florida retirement she enjoyed making beautiful quilts and jewelry and, along with her husband, creating an extensive collection of Indian arrowheads and artifacts native to the state. (Preference for this scholarship is given to a student pursuing a career in elementary or secondary education.)

Jonathan P. Scribner Memorial
Born in Hartford in 1993, Jonathan P. Scribner was a very active and popular student at Manchester High School when he died unexpectedly in 2011. He was an avid ice hockey and baseball player, having played at MHS, with the Manchester Little League and Manchester Legion. Jon was a fan of the Boston Red Sox and the New York Giants. He also enjoyed spending time at the family cottage on Crystal Pond in Woodstock, where he enjoyed water skiing, tubing and fishing. Students, friends and relatives actively raised funds for Jonathan’s scholarship, including organizing a baseball game in his honor, and despite the pouring rain on the day of the game, it was very, very well attended.

Douglas A. Scruton Memorial
A life-long Manchester resident, Doug Scruton was born in Manchester, went to school in Manchester, worked in Manchester, and died in Manchester in 2010 at the age of 56. Doug loved life. He was a hard worker, loving husband, brother and uncle, a loyal friend, avid sports fan and bowler, and he loved nature and traveling. You could always count on Doug to be there when you needed him. He was loved greatly and forever will be missed by those who knew him. (Preference for this scholarship is given to a student planning a career in law enforcement.)

Barbara Kate Shainin Memorial
Barbara was born in 1960 in Manchester where she attended local elementary and junior high schools. At the time of her death at age sixteen she was a junior at Loomis Chaffee School. She had hoped to be a veterinarian. (This scholarship must be awarded to a girl.)

Catherine C. Shea – Kevin J. Shea Memorial
Miss Shea was a longtime resident of Manchester. For forty-seven years she was an educator in Manchester serving as a teacher and as principal of Washington and Verplanck schools for twenty years. After her retirement she served as librarian for the Manchester Historical Society. Miss Shea made provision for this scholarship award in her will.

Like his aunt, Kevin Shea was an outstanding educator. He earned both Bachelor’s and Master’s degrees in education from the University of Hartford and taught special education and science at Stafford High School for over 20 years. He believed in hands-on learning, using visual, auditory, analytical and/or whatever learning style a student had, and he made every student feel valued in his or her own special way. Kevin’s love for flying led him to join the Civil Air Patrol, where his flying ability was recognized and he quickly rose to the rank of captain. Kevin’s love for teaching followed him to the Civil Air Patrol and he became a principal teacher to the young cadets, teaching not only the art and science of flying but also all aspects of air patrol. He was an expert snow skier, scuba diver and jet skier, and his natural ability in all forms of construction and repair led him to be known as Mr. Fix It. Professionally and personally, Kevin and his Aunt Catherine positively impacted the lives of hundreds of people. (Preference for this scholarship is given to a student with financial need who is in the top twenty five percent academically and is planning a career in teaching.)

Martin J. Sheridan Memorial
Mr. Sheridan was born and raised in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. World War II broke out just after he entered high school, and like many of his generation, he completed high school and college at an accelerated pace so that he could enter the military service. He graduated from the Naval ROTC program at the College of the Holy Cross in Worcester, Massachusetts, and was commissioned as an officer in the U.S. Navy at the age of twenty in 1946. Mr. Sheridan had a distinguished career as a Navy pilot, with service during the Korean War, the Cuban Missile Crisis, and the Vietnam War. After retiring from the Navy, Mr. Sheridan settled in Manchester and worked for United Technologies, raising five children who attended the various parochial and public schools in Manchester.

Iona Sleith Memorial
Mrs. Sleith, wife of former Manchester Scholarship Foundation President William Sleith, was vitally interested in young people and dedicated to the notion that education was vital to achieving success. She worked with her husband in establishing the Iona Appliance Manufacturing Company. (Preference for this scholarship is given to a student who has been active in Instructors of the Handicapped and is planning a career in special education.)

Mary Lou Smith Memorial
The Board of Trustees of the Mary Lou Smith Fund has funded this scholarship. Mary Lou Smith was born in Casco, Maine, in 1936. While in high school she moved to Connecticut and graduated from Hartford Public High School. She earned undergraduate degrees at Hartford College for Women and Mount Holyoke College, a master’s degree from Trinity College in Hartford, and a doctorate from Union Graduate School in Cincinnati, Ohio. She subsequently taught English at Manchester High School.
and Manchester Community College. After the death of her first husband she married Theodore Powell, and they were living in California when she died in 1988. The bylaws of the Mary Lou Smith Fund dictate that the scholarship must be expended “according to demonstrated need, ability, merit or potential; and without regard to race, creed, sex or national origin.” These tenets closely parallel those of the Manchester Scholarship Foundation. (The recipient of this scholarship must have financial need.)

**Dominic Squatrito Memorial**
Dominic was a Manchester native who attended local schools. While at Manchester High School he participated in football, basketball, baseball, and track where he won letters in each sport in each of his four years making him the only sixteen-letterman in history. An outstanding athlete, he set many records in these sports and also was captain of the High School East All-American Team that beat the West. In track he held records for many years in 100-year dash, 220-yard dash, javelin, discus, and shot put. He had been awarded a full scholarship to Fordham University before he was killed in an automobile accident before his graduation in 1932. (Preference for this scholarship is given to a student who has been a scholar-athlete while in high school.)

**Philip E. Stearns Memorial**
A native of upstate New York, Philip Stearns was full of life and words even as a teenager; during his high school years, he wrote for a Rochester newspaper, participated on the debate team, and attended college programs. The summer that Philip spent at the age of 16 in Crete with a Greek family through the American Field Service (AFS) nourished his love of travel and different cultures, a love which he imparted to his students throughout his teaching career. As an undergraduate at Colby College, Philip majored in English and studied at Exeter and Cambridge Universities during his junior year. He earned a Master’s Degree at the University of Wisconsin, Madison, and chose Manchester for pursuing his calling as a public high school English teacher. For 35 years, Philip taught at Manchester High, where he earned the reputation as a challenging, caring and inspiring teacher at all levels, in and out of the classroom. He sponsored an AFS chapter at the school and guided students during summer trips to Europe. Most remembered for his decades-long leadership of the Junior Honors English Independent Study Projects and for his stewardship of students to the Hartford Stage, Philip had a knack for creating a safe, respectful classroom where students felt valued and for encouraging students to develop their inner spark and self-esteem. An unforgettable, gentle teacher, Philip retired in 2004, and passed away in 2007. (This scholarship is given to a graduate of Manchester High School planning to major in liberal arts at a four-year college or university, with preference to a student who shows signs of intelligence not necessarily measured by class standing or testing; creative use of one’s own thinking; willingness to give back to the community; and having overcome unusual physical, mental or emotional hurdles.)

**Robert & Blanche Stone Scholarship**
Mrs. Stone’s parents, born in Europe, emphasized the value of free education in America and the need to reach for the highest level of achievement throughout school and college. Mrs. Stone, a former Manchester Scholarship Foundation president, and her husband established this scholarship for top students in their senior class. Upon retirement from the Board of Directors of the Foundation in 1995, Mrs. Stone was named an Honorary Life Director. (Preference for this scholarship is given to a Manchester High School senior who graduates in the top twenty-five percent of the class.)

**Sedrick J. & Marion W. Straughan Memorial**
Mr. Straughan (“Sedy”) was a lifelong resident of Manchester and a firefighter for forty-five years, serving as assistant chief of the Manchester Fire Department. He taught first aid classes for the American Red Cross and fire technology and safety at Manchester Memorial Hospital. Active in numerous community organizations, he also served as a town constable and truant officer for many years. Mrs. Straughan was born in Massachusetts and graduated from Northfield School for Girls and North Adams Normal School. She came to Manchester and taught in the local schools for many years while continually pursuing her educational studies. She was a long-time member of Center Congregational Church, a past president of Sunset Rebekah Lodge, a member of the Connecticut Eye Bank, and remained active in many civic organizations throughout her ninety-four years. (The recipient of this scholarship must have financial need.)

**Frank J. T. Strano Scholarship**
What do you get for a man who has everything? A scholarship in his honor! This scholarship was established in 2016 by Frank’s family in honor of his 75th birthday. Frank dropped out of Manchester High School in his sophomore year. By the age of 22, he earned his GED and married his high school sweetheart Adele. They headed to Florida where Frank enrolled at Palm Beach Junior College. After graduation, Frank moved his family to Indiana where he got a job at General Motors. He worked nights full time while taking classes at Anderson University during the day. He became one of the youngest supervisors at General Motors and graduated with a BA degree. He went on to work on his master’s degree at Indiana and Purdue. He became the director of Admissions and Financial Aid at the University of St. Francis in Indiana. Frank brought his family back to Connecticut when his wife fell ill. He became the broker of his own company, Strano Real Estate. After Adele passed away, he met and married Diane. They have four children. Frank has always been active in Manchester: Elks Club, Little Theater of Manchester, and UNICO. He has sponsored numerous baseball, basketball and Little League teams throughout his career. One of Frank’s daughters and his twin granddaughters were all recipients of scholarships from the Manchester Scholarship Foundation. His philosophy is that it is never too late to learn, which is why this scholarship is designated for adult learners. Frank is proof that higher education is the key to opportunity.

**Arthur Goodman Strong Memorial**
The Arthur Goodman Strong Memorial Scholarship was established under the will of Elizabeth S. DeParolis. Arthur Strong, a brother to Mrs. DeParolis, was a young man with a physical disability at a time when very few services or medical options were available. He died a tragic death in his twenties. Mrs. DeParolis wished to provide help for persons with disabilities by assisting them in furthering their education after high school with the goal of making them self-sufficient, and she directed that such education would...
include institutions of higher learning and/or vocational schools. (The recipient of this scholarship must have a permanent or long-term physical or mental disability.)

**Julia M. & Newton F. Taggart Memorial**

Mr. Taggart (“Newt”) was born in Manchester and attended local schools. After serving in the Armed Forces in World War II he became a regular patrolman with the Manchester Police Department, and as the foot patrolman for Main Street he was widely known and very well liked. At the time of his death in 1968 at the age of fifty-four, he was remembered as the personification of the dedicated, friendly policeman. Mr. Taggart was a member of many civic organizations as well as an honorary member of the Eighth District Fire Department. Mrs. Taggart, a legal secretary, died in 1997. (This scholarship must be awarded to a Manchester High School graduate.)

**Frank P. Terragna, Jr. Athletic Memorial**

Frank Terragna was born in 1952 and grew up in East Hartford where throughout his school years he was involved in the Little League program. He continued to exhibit his athletic abilities throughout high school receiving recognition and honor as an All-State football player and varsity baseball player. He continued playing football during his year at St. Thomas More Prep School and later attended Eastern Connecticut State University. Frank was instrumental in the formation of the Women’s Flag Football League of East Hartford, where he actively coached for many years. For over twenty-two years Frank was a firefighter for the Town of East Hartford and owned and operated Terragna Concrete for seventeen years. In recent years, Frank played on the East Hartford Fire Department baseball team and was an avid golfer. Frank was involved in all aspects of sports as a player, coach, spectator and sponsor. This scholarship, established in 1998 at Frank’s untimely death, is a memorial to a man who possessed a generous heart and love for life. (Preference for this scholarship is given to Manchester High School students demonstrating significant athletic ability.)

**Edward J. Tomkiel Memorial**

Ed Tomkiel grew up in Manchester and graduated from Manchester High School in 1947. He earned his associate’s degree from Hillyer College. He was a Master Sergeant in the U. S. Army from 1950 to 1952. At the age of twenty-five, Ed was elected to the office of Manchester Town Clerk and was reelected for the next forty years until his retirement. Ed’s priority throughout his career was to serve residents with integrity and to make dealings with his office an easier task. He lobbied for changes in election laws and instituted progressive practices in his office that were adopted by other towns. His colleagues honored him with many awards including the Town Clerks Hall of Fame Award and the Connecticut Town Clerk of the Year. He was a past president of the Town Clerk Association. He served on the State Records Management Committee and the State Elections Revision Committee, and as legislative chairman. He was active in local clubs, organizations, and fund drives. He was noted for serving on the Manchester Road Race Committee and was an honorary chairman of the Turkey Day Race. Ed also served as co-chairman of the Manchester Sesquicentennial. He was a charter member of the BPOE No. 1893 club, and a past Elk of the Year. He was also an original director of the Manchester State Bank. Ed was devoted to Manchester and he helped the town in many other lower-profile ways. Few people had the historical knowledge about Manchester that he shared so freely. (Preference for this scholarship is given to a Manchester High School senior who has demonstrated that he or she is a giving person by participating in community service activities in school and in the community.)

**John “Randy” Thrall – Cruisin’ on Main Scholarship in Memory of John “Randy” Thrall**

Please see the entry under Clubs, Organizations & Businesses.

**Bruce E. Thieling Memorial**

Bruce lived in Manchester most of his life and graduated from Manchester High School in 1966. He received a Bachelor of Arts degree from Central Connecticut State University. At the time of his death at age forty-three he was a data processing administrative manager for the Travelers Insurance Companies. Bruce had been a coach of Manchester Soccer, a Junior Achievement instructor, and a member of the U. S. Army Reserve 76th Division. (Preference for this scholarship is given to a Manchester High School senior who has participated in a varsity sport.

**René Thirion Memorial**

René Thirion was born on May 15, 1950 in Riverside, California and grew up in Manchester, Connecticut. A 1968 graduate of Manchester High School, René went on to get a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Psychology from Goddard College, and he participated in a Fellowship Program at the Washington Center for Psychoanalysis in Washington, D.C. René lived with Charcot-Marie-Tooth Disease, a degenerative neurological disorder that severely limited his mobility and resulted in chronic severe pain and other complications. After leaving the Manchester area, he worked for many years in northern Virginia as a youth counselor, mental health counselor, psychiatric social worker and group home site supervisor. Over the years René’s health declined due to progression of his disease, as well as to complications from surgery that ultimately resulted in amputation of one leg. Despite these setbacks and other serious health problems, René continued to devote his career to helping people with mental illness and developmental disabilities until his worsening physical condition forced his early retirement. Throughout, he was an empathetic and tireless crusader for the rights and dignity of the persons he served, and a beloved friend and advocate to many. (Preference for this scholarship is given to students with a disability or to students who have voluntarily worked with people with disabilities.)

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Foundation for the purpose of establishing the Class of ‘28 Quimby Memorial Scholarship. This scholarship honors Clarence P. Quimby who was the principal of Manchester High School from 1923 to 1933. Mr. Quimby was well liked by the students who considered him their friend and advisor as well as their principal. He was honored at the 50th reunion of the Class of ‘28 in 1978. He left Manchester High School in 1933 to become headmaster at Cushing Academy where he remained until his retirement in 1956 after a career in education that spanned seven decades.

Frederick Ayre Verplanck Memorial
Mr. “Zip” Verplanck taught school in Manchester for years before becoming a principal and ultimately the superintendent of Manchester schools. He brought Manchester into the modern age of education, spanning the years of 1893 to 1935, and was known for his positive leadership, practical vision, sense of humor, and unswerving integrity. Verplanck Elementary School was named in his honor.

Paul J. Vesco Memorial
Mr. Vesco resided in Manchester for more than sixty years. An employee of Cheney Brothers for many years, he was also a volunteer fireman with the Manchester Fire Department’s Co. #3, and an avid supporter of town athletics.

Judge John J. Wallett Memorial
Judge Wallett was born in Manchester in 1903 and resided here for all of his ninety-four years. He was well known in his late teens and twenties as a terrific baseball pitcher and ice skater. He graduated from the Hartford College of Law, worked as a clerk in the Probate Court and served in that capacity until his election as the judge in 1948. Throughout his career he was widely acclaimed by both political parties and the legal community and ran unopposed in his last seven elections. He retired as judge in 1972. In 1944, still a bachelor in his forties, he married his beloved Clara (Turkington) Wallett, who was widowed with six boys. He cared for and treated the boys as his own, and he will always be remembered as a very gentle, caring and compassionate man - a gentleman. (Preference for this scholarship is given to a Manchester High School senior.)

Gene-Ellen Walton Memorial
Gene-Ellen Walton, formerly of Doane Street in Manchester, taught school in Ellington for 30 years. She also enjoyed her career as a professional whistler in the Big Band Era, having worked with Tommy Dorsey, Glenn Miller, Benny Goodman, and others. After retiring from teaching, Ms. Walton worked as a professional voice-over artist for 12 years and volunteered with the Little Theatre of Manchester, where she acted and helped backstage. (This scholarship is awarded to a student pursuing a career in the fields of music, the performing arts, or the fine arts.)

The Wichman Family Scholarship
The Wichman Family Scholarship was established by David C. Wichman, in honor of his parents Dr. Barney Wichman and Mae Wichman. Barney Wichman started his practice of Podiatry (then called Chiropody) in Manchester, Connecticut, in the early 1930’s in a second floor office on Main Street over a tea room and across from St. James Church. During World War II he moved his office to the corner of East Center Street and Huntington Street. His son Kenneth L. Wichman joined him in the practice and continued it after Barney retired. Barney and Mae raised four children: David, Michael, Kenneth and Rachel all of whom graduated from the Manchester public school system.

Raymond B. and Thelma C. Woodbridge Memorial
Ray was born and raised in Manchester, while Thelma moved to Manchester at the age of two from Oneco, Connecticut. Ray was the sixth generation of the Woodbridge family to reside in Manchester. Ray and Thelma attended Manchester schools, and both graduated from Manchester High in 1929. Ray graduated from Wesleyan University in 1933, while Thelma graduated in 1932 from what was then known as the Willimantic Normal School, now Eastern Connecticut State University. Ray worked in the investment/banking field in Boston and at local companies for thirty-five years before retiring in 1970. Thelma remained active with the Manchester Historical Society and the Orford Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution, and was a member of the Mayflower Society. Raymond passed away in April 1997 and Thelma in October 2009. Both Ray and Thelma strongly believed in the value of continuing one’s education and life long learning. (Preference for this scholarship is given to a student who will attend Wesleyan University or major in education.)

James H. and Grace E. White Wright Memorial
Mr. Wright was vitally interested in Manchester youth and their continuing education. He was a Town of Manchester employee who wished to establish a scholarship for the benefit of a male student from Manchester who meets the criteria of the Manchester Scholarship Foundation. Mrs. Wright was also a town employee and established a scholarship for the benefit of a female student from Manchester who meets the criteria of the Manchester Scholarship Foundation. (Preference for these scholarships is given to a male and a female with financial need.)

Lisa B. Young Memorial
Lisa, a lifelong resident of Manchester, had muscular dystrophy. She attended local schools and would have entered her junior year at Manchester High School. Her friends remember her as a caring, outgoing person. (Preference for this scholarship is given to students who have worked with the handicapped or who have shown humanistic values.)
Raymond F. Damato Adult Learners Scholarship
In recognition of the fact that an increasing number of students attending college do not follow the traditional pattern of pursuing their education immediately upon graduating from secondary school, and that there are few sources of financial aid available for part time adult students, the Board of Directors of the Manchester Scholarship Foundation established the Adult Learners Scholarship in 2004. To become eligible an applicant must have attained the age of twenty-one and have been accepted to a college or other accredited post secondary school. The student must also demonstrate clear and serious educational objectives, financial need, and evidence of ability to honor commitments.

Alpha Delta Kappa - Gamma Bernice Maher Strant Memorial
Alpha Delta Kappa, an international sorority of outstanding women educators, strives to promote high standards of education. It supports educational and charitable projects and activities, sponsors scholarships, and co-operates with community projects. Bernice Maher Strant was a charter member of the local Gamma Chapter of Alpha Delta Kappa and was instrumental in establishing many new chapters in Connecticut and Canada. She also actively served in local and state organizations related to academia including the Manchester Education Association, the Connecticut Education Association and the Retired Teachers Association, holding offices in each of these organizations. She also actively served in the Orford Parish Chapter as well as on the state level of the Daughters of the American Revolution. Mrs. Strant taught school in Manchester for fifty years. She was known as a dedicated professional, a farsighted leader, and a caring friend. (The recipient of this scholarship must be a female pursuing the career of teaching.)

Annulli Manchester Classic Scholarship
The Annulli Manchester Classic was a long-standing pro-am golf tournament sponsored by the Orlando Annulli Family and Orlando Annulli and Sons, Inc., general construction company of Manchester. Funds from this very successful event have been assigned to provide scholarships annually through the Manchester Scholarship Foundation.

Cruisin’ on Main Scholarship in Memory of John “Randy” Thrall
John “Randy” Thrall was a life-long resident of Manchester and a life-long vintage car collector and enthusiast. Randy shared his love of the history, engineering and artistry of the automotive industry with many individuals and across many organizations during his lifetime. Cruisin’ on Main Street was a fortunate beneficiary of his time, talent and knowledge.

Born in Manchester in 1950, Randy graduated from Manchester High School in 1969 and from the University of New Haven in 1973. As a teenager, he was dedicated to the family school-bus business – the Manchester Bus Service – and he continued his responsibilities there for over 30 years. Randy was also an active member of the Connecticut Operators of School Transportation Association. Later, he became a key partner and General Manager of Manchester Motor Car Company. Passionate about antique collector cars, Randy spent most of his free time traveling countrywide to attend various shows and auctions. His hobby led him to become instrumental in the organization of Manchester’s “Cruisin’ on Main Street”, one of Manchester’s largest annual special events, and he was awarded Volunteer of the Year for his devoted work. Randy also participated in the Buick Club, where he made many lasting friendships. Randy’s family and the Cruisin’ on Main Committee established this scholarship in recognition of Randy’s appreciation and respect for the automotive industry. (Preference is given to a student pursuing a career in automotive repair, restoration, maintenance, design or engineering.)

Friendship Tuscan Lodge #145 of Masons Scholarship
The Masonic fraternity welcomes men of all ages to membership in a worldwide, centuries-old institution steeped in rich heritage and traditions. It welcomes men of all religious convictions and promotes friendship, morality, brotherly love, and respect among its members. Masonry has played a very important role in shaping our history. Famous Masons include George Washington, Samuel Adams, Paul Revere and, in more recent times, Harry Truman, John Wayne, Douglas MacArthur, and Buzz Aldrin. In addition to local community service projects, the Masonic Fraternity financially supports the Masonic Home and Hospital in Wallingford. Shriners are also members of the fraternity and extensively support Shriners Crippled Children’s Hospitals and Burn Institutes. Medical care at these children’s facilities is provided at no charge.

King David I.O.O.F. Scholarship
King David Lodge #31 Independent Order of Odd Fellows was instituted in 1890 with ten charter members. Meetings were held in the House & Hale building on Main Street until an Odd Fellows building was built at the corner of Main and East Center streets in either 1915 or 1917. In 1924 the Lodge had a membership of 578. After two successive sales of the building in the late 1970’s, the building was subsequently demolished to accommodate the realignment of the center of Manchester. The Lodge made donations toward the development of a Vietnam Veterans’ Memorial Park, which is located at the site of the former Odd Fellows building and is commemorated with a small monument on the north side of the park. In addition to its donations to the Manchester Scholarship Foundation, the Lodge has also made donations to Manchester Memorial Hospital, Odd Fellows Home in Groton, and the Connecticut Eye Bank Visual Research Foundation located at New Britain General Hospital and sponsored by the Odd Fellows of Connecticut. Because of a loss in membership, King David Lodge #31 surrendered the Charter of the Lodge in 1985. All remaining members became life members of the Grand Jurisdictional Lodge of the State of Connecticut.

Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial
The Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial was established in January 1987 to assist an African-American student from Manchester with college-related expenses at a two or four-year college. Donations from businesses and individuals are received each year in conjunction with the Town of Manchester’s Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration. Representatives of the Town of Manchester, the Manchester school system, the Manchester Area Conference of Churches and the Manchester Interracial Council serve as the scholarship committee. (The recipient of this scholarship must be black.)

Lydall, Inc. Scholarship
A manufacturer of specialty engineered products for demanding thermal/acoustical and filtration/separation applications, Lydall develops and manufactures specialty papers for air and liquid filtration media and other applications, fabricated automotive heat shields, thermal and acoustical barriers, and certain medical filtration.
and bio-processing components. Listed on the New York Exchange, Lydall is headquartered in Manchester and has nine national and several international operations. Lydall has been providing scholarships through the Manchester Scholarship Foundation for many years.

**Manchester American Legion Baseball Program**

Manchester American Legion Baseball is the premier baseball program for students of high school age in Manchester. Its mission is to provide a safe and competitive venue to teach and reinforce the fundamentals of baseball while instilling the Program’s Sportsmanship Code, as follows: Develop a strong, clean, healthy body, mind and soul. Develop a strong urge for sportsman-like conduct. Develop understanding and respect for the rules. Develop courage in defeat, tolerance and modesty in victory. Develop control over emotions and speech. Develop a spirit of cooperation and team play. Develop into real, true citizens. (The recipient of this scholarship must have participated in the Manchester American Legion Baseball Program.)

**Manchester Area Automotive Scholarship**

The Manchester Auto Dealers, L.L.C., ceased conducting business in 2007, and in January 2008 the company was dissolved. The remaining members of the Manchester Auto Dealers voted to have the remaining funds transferred to the Manchester Scholarship Foundation to be used to provide scholarship assistance for students who have demonstrated an interest in the automotive field and intend to study in that field. (This scholarship is awarded to a student who plans to pursue education in the automotive field.)

**Manchester Basketball Association Scholarship**

The Manchester Basketball Association (MBA) has been active in Manchester for over twenty years. It was founded as a not-for-profit association in the spring of 1992 and incorporated as a Connecticut not-for-profit corporation in January 1993. The specific objectives and purpose of the Manchester Basketball Association were to a) sponsor organized basketball competition for young men and women in the Manchester area, and b) educate and sponsor organized basketball activities for as many youngsters as possible to demonstrate the personal benefits and pure enjoyment to be derived from the sport of basketball. No person was ever denied the opportunity to participate in the activities of the Manchester Basketball Association because of race, religion or physical handicap. (Preference for this scholarship is given to a graduating female student who has demonstrated significant athletic ability in any sport.)

**Manchester Chapter of UNICO National Scholarship**

Manchester UNICO is part of a national organization consisting of men and women of Italian extraction or who are married to spouses of Italian extraction, who work together on community and national projects to benefit others in need of assistance. UNICO was first organized in Waterbury, Connecticut, in 1922. It spread into the eastern cities and in 1947 merged with the National Italian Civic League, an organization with similar goals. The Manchester Chapter, sixty members strong, works to raise funds for the benefit of the community. Its major fundraisers include the Valentine’s Dance with proceeds going to the Manchester Women’s Breast Cancer Screening Program, UNICO Golf Tournament and Italian Night at the Manchester Community College Band Shell. In addition to its continuous contributions to the Manchester Scholarship Foundation, UNICO has made major contributions to MARC, MACC, New Hope Manor, Fidelco and many other deserving charitable organizations. (Preference for this scholarship is given to a student of Italian heritage.)

**Manchester Chapter of UNICO National Scholarship**

**IMO Francesco (Frank) Addabbo**

Frank was born in Italy and arrived in Manchester in 1957 at 16 years of age. Frank’s priority was to attend Manchester High School but it was a difficult journey since he did not speak English. His teacher was from Belgium, spoke fluent French, some Italian and English. So Frank had to go from Italian to French to English to learn the language. He spent days working part time, attending MHS and nights learning English. He graduated high school with the class of 1961 and was the first member of his family to achieve this accomplishment. He served his country in the Army Reserve for 6 years. As with all people who were privileged to have met Frank he was a very social and outgoing person. He welcomed you warmly which made you feel comfortable from the first meeting by giving you his undivided attention. It is through his memorial that this scholarship came to life the same way Frank would bring a room to life.

**Manchester Elks Lodge No. 1893 B.P.O.E. Scholarship**

The Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of the United States of America is one of the oldest and largest fraternal organizations in the country. Since its inception in 1868, the Order of Elks has grown to include nearly 1.2 million men and women in almost 2,200 communities. The B.P.O. Elks is committed to the ideals of charity and patriotism, and they have contributed significantly to youth veterans, the disadvantaged and handicapped, and in support to patriotic and civic programs. Established in 1954, the Manchester Elks Lodge helps with the annual Fourth of July Picnic and Fireworks for the Town, and it has generously supported and assisted many local charities, including the Connecticut Special Olympics, the Manchester Police Activities League, the American Red Cross (hosting countless blood drives), the Manchester Scholarship Foundation, Inc. and various food banks. For many years, the Manchester Elks have partnered with Safe Kids CT in hosting Safe Kids Day; also for many years, the Manchester Elks have sponsored the annual Drug Awareness Poster and Essay Contest for children in local elementary schools. (Preference for this scholarship is given to a student active in community service.)

**Manchester High School Class of 1957**

The Manchester High School Class of 1957 created this scholarship many years ago and has funded it with donations received at each of its class reunions every five years; therefore, this scholarship is awarded every five years and always goes to a graduate of MHS. For most of its high school years, the Class of 1957 attended the old Manchester High School on Main Street, across from what is now Bennett Middle School. There, the Class spent its early high school years in double sessions, with the students split between morning and afternoon sessions during their sophomore year but united into the morning session during their junior year. The members of the class were delighted to spend their senior year at the new campus and become the first class to graduate from the new Manchester High School.

**Manchester High School Alumni Scholarship**

Over the years alumni of Manchester High School have donated monies for scholarships, usually at the time of their class reunions, for graduates of Manchester High. For many years, Mr. John Johnson coordinated these donations. The classes who have donated include the following:

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Other classes have established perpetual scholarships or are continuing to contribute, as noted in the following entries: The Class of 1928 established a scholarship in memory of Clarence P. Quimby, the principal from 1923-33. The scholarship became a perpetual scholarship in 2004 as a result of a bequest from Albert J. and Mary Reardon Tuttle.

The Class of 1944 established its scholarship at the time of its 60th reunion for the purpose of honoring deceased members of the Class. The Class generously contributed again when it celebrated its 65th reunion.

The Class of 1946 initiated plans for a perpetual scholarship at its 50th reunion to serve as a memorial to the deceased members of its class as well as a commitment to future Manchester students. Class members continue to make contributions to the Class of 1946 Scholarship whose principal has almost tripled since inception.

The Class of 1951 embarked on a mission in 1990, while planning their 40th class reunion, to establish the first perpetual scholarship given to the Manchester Scholarship Foundation by a single MHS class. Members of the Class of 1951 generously responded to the appeal and a perpetual scholarship was established in December 1990. It is their “thank you” to Manchester High School for having given them splendid send-off so many years ago. It is their hope that other classes will follow their example.

The Class of 1952 is a closely knit and participatory group composed mostly of 1st and 2nd generation children of immigrants who so highly prized education. We dedicate this scholarship in a spirit of welcome to all immigrants and refugees who come to the United States and to those classmates who are no longer with us.

The Class of 1955 established a perpetual scholarship at its 45th reunion in memory of the deceased members of its class and in support of future students of Manchester High School.

The Class of 1960 proudly dedicated its scholarship to the memory of Dwight E. Perry, a long time highly respected educator. Mr. Perry earned his Bachelor of Science degree from the University of Minnesota and earned his master’s degree from Columbia University. He taught for forty-five years, thirty-four of those at Manchester High School where he started teaching in 1930. Mr. Perry served as a chairman of the Mathematics Department and as the Faculty Athletic Advisor, and in 1956 he became head of the Accelerated Math Program, where he proved to be an outstanding mentor for many exceptional students.

The Class of 1962 initiated plans for a perpetual scholarship at its 30th reunion and through continued contributions since 1992, the Class has met its goal.

The scholarships created by the Class of 1963 continue to be awarded to qualified students.

The Class of 1973 established its scholarship at the time of its 40th reunion. They plan to continue funding with the proceeds from each upcoming reunion.

Manchester High School Technology Education Department in Memory of Conrad McCurry

Conrad McCurry – known as “Connie” – was a popular industrial arts teacher at Manchester High School. A graduate of Manchester High School himself, he had been an outstanding athlete there, excelling in baseball, basketball and soccer. Members of the MHS Technology Education Department established this scholarship in Connie’s memory when he died at the young age of 27.

The Manchester L.I.F.E. Scholarship

In March 2007 the Board of Directors of the Town of Manchester created the Manchester L.I.F.E. Scholarship, one element of the town-funded Low Income Financial Empowerment Program. The scholarship provides assistance to non-traditional students and is administered and awarded as a subcategory of the Adult Learners Scholarship already established by the Manchester Scholarship Foundation. On behalf of the Town, the Manchester Board of Directors is pleased to offer assistance to young adults seeking to raise their level of education and further develop their skills.

Manchester Lions Club George F. DeCormier Memorial

Chartered in 1949, the Manchester Lions Club is affiliated with Lions International, the largest service organization in the world. Community involvement by the local Lions includes: collection of eyeglasses for distribution to the world’s needy; eye examinations, eyeglasses, assistance with hearing evaluation, and hearing aids for needy town citizens; sponsorship of a perpetual scholarship through the Manchester Scholarship Foundation originally funded by proceeds from the sale of the “Game of Manchester”; donation of park benches at the Vietnam Memorial Park and Robertson Park; annual sponsorship of the Fishing Derby for the children of Manchester; support for the Lions Club International Foundation, the Lions Gallery Low Vision Center, Fidelco Guide Dog Foundation, MACC, Lions Eye Research, the Rebuilding Together program, and youth sports programs. The club gives due consideration to any local need brought to its attention. Meetings are held on the first and third Tuesday of every month, September through May. Any monies received through fund raisers are returned to the public benefit through the activities listed above. The Manchester Lions Club renamed its scholarship in memory of George F. DeCormier, the last active charter member, who died in 1997.

Manchester Little League-Matthew Helin Memorial

Manchester Little League has run a baseball program for over forty years for Manchester children between the ages of five and fifteen. Instruction is provided in the fundamentals of baseball and sportsmanship. The goal is to provide a positive experience to all the children who participate. The Helin family has long been involved in the program, for Mr. and Mrs. Helin were fixtures for fifteen years as their four sons came through the program. Matthew Helin played five years in Little League and graduated as an All Star in 1984. Matthew lost his life in a tragic accident on Cape Cod in 1992. (This scholarship is awarded to a student who has been active in Little League and who is graduating from Manchester High School, East Catholic or Howell Cheney Tech.)

Manchester Lodge #73 A.F. & A.M. Scholarship

Manchester Lodge #73, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, was the first fraternal organization to be formed in the town of Manchester, having received a charter from the Grand Lodge, A.F. & A.M. of Connecticut on May 10, 1826. It has continued to be an active and vital part of the town through these many years, promoting friendship, morality, and brotherly love among its members and within the community. It has made donations to the Manchester Scholarship Foundation since 1968.

Manchester Road Race Scholarship

The Manchester Road Race was first run in 1927 and has been run annually on Thanksgiving Day, except during the war years of 1935-1944. In 1927 there were 12 runners; in 2015 there were more than 15,000 runners and walkers from all over the world including many families from Manchester and over 500 volunteers contribute to the success of this great race. The Manchester Road Race is proud to offer scholarships to Manchester residents who meet the Manchester Scholarship Foundation, Inc. criteria. (Preference is given to an honor roll student who has earned a varsity letter in cross country or track during their senior year and/or has participated in the Manchester Road Race as a volunteer or participant.)
Manchester Soccer Club
The Manchester Soccer Club was founded as a non-profit corporation in 1979. The purpose of the Club is to support the development of the sport of soccer at every level as a recreational and competitive option for children and young adults of the Manchester area. The emphasis of the program is on the development of good citizenship as well as good soccer. The Club provides programs of instruction and competition for its participants from age 3 through 23. The Club is proud that many of its players go on to play soccer at the college level, that it has had six high school All-Americans and that three members have represented them on the United States National Team. It believes that its graduates take an understanding of the meaning of sportsmanship and competition into life as a legacy of their participation in its programs. Each year the Club funds two scholarships: one for a girl and one for a boy. The girl’s scholarship is given in memory of Peter Denz, a dedicated volunteer, coach and board member, and the Club’s Vice President at the time of his death in 2003. If the boy is a graduate of the Manchester High School, then the scholarship is given in memory of Richard K. Danielson, a Head Soccer coach at MHS for 33 years and a National High School Coaches Association Coach of the Year in 1979. (These scholarships must be awarded to a girl and a boy who have been a member of either a high school soccer team or a Manchester Soccer Club travel team, or have served as a referee affiliated with the United States Soccer Federation.)

Manchester Sports Hall of Fame Scholarship
The Manchester Sports Hall of Fame is a volunteer-based organization that focuses on recognizing the athletic achievements of past and present members of the Manchester community. Founded in 1979, the organization honors individuals who, through participation in sports, have made accomplishments and contributions to advance the education and awareness to the community of the benefits of sports participation. The Manchester Sports Hall of Fame commemorates Manchester’s sports heroes, teams, and sponsors at an annual induction ceremony. In 2012 the celebrated the 40th anniversary of the passage of Title IX, acknowledging outstanding women athletes and sports-oriented people who have assisted in the development of women’s athletics.

MMNT Foundation Accounting Scholarship
The MMNT Foundation was established in 2015 by MMNT, Certified Public Accountants. The accounting firm has been a Manchester business for almost 15 years, and has been in business for over 30 years. The firm’s three partners hold various positions on boards, committees and networking groups within the area. The MMNT Foundation’s purpose is to provide support to our community, where we work and/or reside in or for causes we feel there is need. Its annual fund raising event, Beards and Beers 5K, takes place on the 2nd Saturday in November. (This is a non – needs based award. Preference will be given to a graduating high school senior pursuing an accounting career at a 4 year college or university. The individual must be well-rounded, demonstrating community service or involvement and participation in a club or sport for at least 3 years.)

Noren Foundation, Inc. Scholarship
The Noren Foundation, Inc. is a private foundation established to contribute to organizations and causes that it finds deserving. It has a particular interest in children’s causes and especially those related to education. The Noren family is originally from Manchester. (Preference for this scholarship is given to a student planning to major in science or engineering.)

The Orange Hall Corporation Scholarship
The Orange Hall Corporation is comprised of members of the Washington Loyal Orange Lodge #117, located in Manchester, Connecticut. It is a Protestant fraternity with roots dating back several hundred years to King William of Orange. The Orange Institution has lodges throughout the world. The Washington Lodge, whose precepts are Faith, Hope and Charity, has been active in Manchester since the late 1800’s. The Orange Hall Corporation makes yearly donations to many charities.

Perennial Planters Garden Tour Scholarship
The Perennial Planters was organized in 1960 and joined the Connecticut Federation of Garden Clubs in 1963. The Club has 22 members who are energetically involved in several community projects including the planning, planting and maintaining of the Munro Park garden on Center Street, the monthly contribution of a floral or horticultural arrangement to the Whiton Memorial Library, as well as working with schools throughout the community, affording students the opportunity to learn about gardening and their responsibility for the future greening of the earth. Their most eventful project is coordinating their every-other-year garden tour. As this tour attracts more than 500 visitors, it is certainly a major undertaking for this relatively small club. The proceeds from these tours have afforded the club the opportunity to give back to the community who has supported them so well. Because of this success, the club is proud and fortunate to offer the “Perennial Planters Garden Tour Scholarship” through the Manchester Scholarship Foundation. The club urges recipients to remember to take time to “smell the flowers” no matter how hectic their lives might be.

Retired Teachers Association of Manchester Scholarship
The Retired Teachers Association of Manchester was organized in November 1974 by a small nucleus of retired Manchester teachers. Its membership now consists of over three hundred retired teachers and administrators. One of the goals of the association is to support scholarships for Manchester High School seniors. Many of the members volunteer in the community, especially in the public schools. (The recipient of this scholarship must be graduating from Manchester High School.)

Rotary Club of Manchester Scholarship
The Rotary Club of Manchester is a service organization composed of business and professional persons united worldwide who conduct humanitarian projects, encourage high ethical standards in all vocations, and work toward world understanding and peace. The Manchester Rotary has a membership of more than seventy-five local business leaders who meet weekly, not just for dinner, but to enjoy fellowship and discuss how they can help others. The club offers scholarships to secondary school young people and sponsors and/or donates to numerous community and worldwide charities.

Rotary Club of Manchester William Howard Hale Memorial
Mr. Hale, a native of Waterbury and a resident of Glastonbury, was the former president and CEO of the Heritage Savings and Loan Association, past president of the Connecticut Division of the Cooperted Savings Bank, and past president and CEO of the Federal Savings and Loan in Westport. He was a member and served as an officer in many national, state, and regional banking organizations. Mr. Hale was a past president of the Greater Manchester Chamber of Commerce and the Rotary Club of Manchester. He was an incorporator of Manchester Memorial Hospital, a past director of the Connecticut Inter-Faith Housing Corporation, an active supporter of New Hope Manor, and a member of the Manchester Lodge of Masons. The Rotary Club of Manchester established this scholarship as the Rotary Club of Manchester William Howard Hale Memorial.

Allen M. Ward, Sr. – Manchester Rotary Club Scholarship
Mr. Ward was born in Massachusetts where he learned the metal trades at Wentworth Institute and then specialized in aircraft repair and construction at the New England Aircraft School in East Boston. In 1934, he came to Connecticut to work at United Aircraft and followed it to Stratford, CT and helped establish a joint venture with Igor Sikorsky to build the Navy fighter, the Corsair, a crucial weapon against the Japanese during World War II. After the war, he established Central Metal Products in Hartford and in 1953, launched the Ward Manufacturing Company in Manchester. For 45 years, Mr. Ward also was an avid vegetable gardener with a stand in front of his Keeney Street home. He died in 2014. (Preference for this scholarship is given to a student seeking post-secondary education or training in a skilled trade or agriculture.)
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