



## Chilton Area Community Foundation Edward J. Casper Family Scholarship

### Background:

Edward J. Casper was a successful businessman in Chilton, WI. He moved from Illinois to Chilton in the 1970's to acquire and run Meter Gas, Inc., an LP gas supplier. He purchased and renovated The Central House in Chilton, which became a go-to restaurant for many in the area. Lake Winnebago held a special interest to Mr. Casper. He was instrumental in the organization of "Save Lake Winnebago." This was an effort to encourage and accelerate municipal sewer service to homes, cottages and businesses along the lake. To aid boaters, he sponsored and paid for the emergency beacon at Stockbridge Harbor. Mr. Casper was an early investor and developer of Christmas Mountain, a ski and golf resort in the Wisconsin Dells area. His eccentricities made him famous in the Chilton area. He handed out dozens of turkeys at Thanksgiving time, waited for students at the end of school on Halloween to hand out dollar bills and, one summer, purchased millions of lady bugs to fight a particularly nasty mosquito season. Education, public service and a strong work ethic were important to Mr. Casper, which is why he chose to establish the Edward J. Casper Family Scholarship.

### Eligibility: (taken into consideration to determine recipients)

- Graduating seniors from one of the five high schools in Calumet County:
  - Chilton High School
  - Brillion High School
  - Hilbert High School
  - New Holstein High School
  - Stockbridge High School
- Respect for the concerns and needs of others and taking an active role in those concerns and needs
- Consideration of work record and efforts put forth in securing jobs to supplement income for financial needs to assist in college education costs
- Demonstrates the following: conscientious in studies and relationships with others, positive work ethic in the classroom and the community, appreciative and helpful to peers and to those in authority
- Involvement in extra-curricular activities
- Financial need will be considered

### Award Amount:

Five renewable \$500 scholarship awards per semester for one year (total \$1,000). One scholarship will be awarded to a recipient from each of the 5 high schools mentioned above.

### Selection:

The senior class of Brillion, New Holstein, Hilbert and Stockbridge High Schools will recommend the recipient from their class, that best meets the above criteria. The recipient from Chilton High School will be selected by the Edward J. Casper Scholarship trustees from the finalists for the Paula Lutz Scholarship, excluding the individual who receives such scholarship.

### Collecting the Award & Payment Procedure:

Recipients must fill out and submit Scholarship Acceptance Form and Scholarship Verification Form through the [Scholarship Portal](https://www.grantinterface.com/Home/Logon?urlkey=cffvrscholar) (<https://www.grantinterface.com/Home/Logon?urlkey=cffvrscholar>). Recipients are required to provide supporting documents *as instructed* in the Scholarship Verification Form, such as class registration/list **with** credits listed, proof of major, grade transcript, etc.

After approval of online Scholarship Verification Form, the scholarship check will be paid directly to the school the recipient will be attending. The **Community Foundation communicates with students via email**; it is the student's responsibility to keep their Scholarship Portal account updated with their current email address.

### Loss of Eligibility:

Failure to enroll as a full-time student at an institution of higher learning as a student in good standing.

### Further Information:

- Community Foundation for the Fox Valley Region
  - Website [www.cffoxvalley.org/scholarships/](http://www.cffoxvalley.org/scholarships/)
  - Email [scholarships@cffoxvalley.org](mailto:scholarships@cffoxvalley.org)
  - Phone 920.702.7623