



David L. Nelson Scholarship Fund

David L. Nelson was born on July 5, 1921. He attended school in Kaukauna and graduated from Marquette University College of Business Administration. On September 6, 1943, he married Rita E. Randall of Milwaukee, WI. He served three years in the US Army during WWII with the 103rd Infantry Division in Europe. Following the service, he worked in the marketing department of the Western Condensing Company in Appleton, WI and served as a US Internal Revenue Agent in Green Bay.

In 1953 he was employed by both the Green Bay Newspaper Company of Green Bay, WI and Post Corporation of Appleton, WI, where he served as Chief Financial Officer and as a director of both corporations. In 1962, these corporations separated their ownership and David then devoted his interests solely to Post Corporation, where he served as a director and Chief Operating and Chief Financial Officer until 1984 when the corporation was sold. At the time of the sale Mr. Nelson was Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer of that firm.

In 1984 David purchased radio stations in Eau Claire, WI and subsequently purchased radio stations in Kirksville, MO, Marshalltown, IA, and Fargo, ND. He also acquired ownership in Holiday Travel Service of Eau Claire and Winnebago Color Press in Menasha, WI. He served as an officer and director of these firms until his death at age 96 in July 2017.

David had a lifelong passion for lighthouses and was instrumental in the restoration of the Grassy Island Range Lights. He was an avid supporter of the historical preservation of the Fox River Valley and generously donated to many organizations.

Eligibility:

Graduating high school seniors from Kaukauna High School who demonstrate evidence of their capability to succeed in post-high school training. The ideal recipient will have demonstrated:

- Scholastic achievement
- Community involvement
- Financial need

Award Amount:

One \$1,000 non-renewable scholarship award for tuition expenses.

Selection:

Recipients are selected each spring by the Kaukauna High School Scholarship Selection Committee.

Payment Procedure:

Scholarship payments will be released after submission of the following to the Community Foundation for the Fox Valley Region: completed scholarship verification form (located at www.cffoxvalley.org/scholarships) along with verification of full time student status (class schedule with credits listed). After approval of submitted documentation, the scholarship check will be paid directly to the school the recipient will be attending during the first semester of the freshman year of college. This scholarship cannot be deferred. Most communications between the Community Foundation and the student will be via email. *Please keep us advised of your current email address.*

Loss of Eligibility:

Failure to register as a full-time student for the first semester of freshman year of college.

Further Information:

For more information regarding the scholarship application process contact Kaukauna High School Guidance Department. For more information regarding the scholarship payment process please visit the Community Foundation for the Fox Valley Region's website at www.cffoxvalley.org/scholarships or contact us at 920-702-7619 or scholarships@cffoxvalley.org.