

Ripley County Community Foundation

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Scholarship Brochure

South Ripley High School Information and Applications

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Instructions for Applying for Ripley County Community Foundation Scholarships

The number of scholarships and the amount of most scholarships are based on each scholarship fund's annual rate of return from the previous year. The value of each scholarship will be determined in March of each year. Some scholarships may not be available in those years in which that scholarship fund's yearly rate of return does not support a distribution.

Read the Instructions carefully

1. Determine which scholarship application to complete. The Ripley County Community Foundation Scholarship Application is required for most scholarships. The application to be completed for each scholarship is named in the scholarship details and/or criteria section on each scholarship's description page.
2. Answer all questions contained on the [Scholarship Application](#).
3. Type your application(s).
***Applications must be typed and will not be considered unless typed.
A writeable application is available online at www.rccfonline.org***
4. Include a copy of the following with EACH scholarship application you submit. (If applying for more than one scholarship, you must submit an application and the following for EACH scholarship.)
 - Cover page- (You must check the name of the scholarship to which the application and attachments correlate.)
 - Transcript.
 - Essay explaining your choice of major, your future plans and how scholarship would benefit you.
 - Community project essay.
 - Activities Chart.
 - Provide a senior portrait photo of self-please email digital photo to office@rccfonline.org with "photo for scholarship" in subject line.
5. Attach any and all additional information and documentation required by the terms of the specific scholarship for which you are applying, if any. Examples of additional information are Letters of Recommendation and Applicant Appraisal.
6. Submit a hard copy of your application(s) to the Ripley County Community Foundation, 13 East George Street, Suite B, Batesville, IN 47006 on or before the due date.
7. Most scholarship applications are due no later than **4:00 p.m. on March 1st**. If a scholarship has a due date later than March 1st, the alternate due date will be stated in the details and/or criteria section of that scholarship's description page.

Incomplete Scholarship Applications will NOT be considered.

Due to IRS regulations, no family member(s) or scholarship committee member(s) of the selection committee of the respective scholarships may apply for their own scholarships.

Cover Page

Include a copy of this cover page with the application for each scholarship. Please indicate on the cover page which scholarship you are applying for. If applying for two or more scholarships, you must make additional copies of the application & a cover page for each.

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The Melody G. Arney Memorial Scholarship



This scholarship was established in 2011 by friends, family, and co-workers to recognize and remember Melody for her 25 years of dedicated service to the farmers of Ripley County while working at the Farm Service Agency. Melody administered the Conservation Reserve Program and was instrumental in most of the grass waterways, filter strips, riparian buffers, quail habitats, etc. implemented in Ripley County during her time with FSA. She also helped county farmers in obtaining commodity loans each year, allowing them to market their grain later in the year.

She was loved by the farmers and her fellow co-workers, and other FSA persons around the state.

Melody will be lovingly remembered for putting the needs of others before her own, a deep love of her family, and always having a smile on her face.

Scholarship Details

- Dollar amount of the scholarship will be determined by the annual distribution of the fund and paid directly to the student's school.
- The Ripley County Community Foundation Scholarship Committee along with a representative of FSA will serve as the selection committee.

Criteria

The applicant must:

- Be a graduating senior from any Ripley County, Indiana High School; AND
- Be a resident of Ripley County, Indiana; AND
- Be a graduate from an accredited home school program; or
a college student who graduated from a Ripley County, Indiana High School; or
a previous recipient of this scholarship and a resident of Ripley County, Indiana; AND
- Be planning a college major in, or currently enrolled in, the field of Agriculture; AND
- Complete the Ripley County Community Foundation Scholarship Application.

Return typed application with all attachments
by **March 1st** to
Ripley County Community Foundation

The Corinne's Believers Memorial Scholarship



Corinne Lamping was trained at Aveda Fredric's Institute, Indianapolis in 2010. With her desire and dedication to learn more about the ongoing art of hair, she had attended the Chicago Hair Show and additional Aveda color and styling classes. Corinne had no problem expressing her love and talent for hair by satisfying every guest. She was not only skilled in hair, but also was certified in nail care as well. She specialized in all natural nail services, cut and color services as well as waxing.

Corinne brought an enjoyable experience during all her services to make her guest's day!

“We have established this scholarship in honor of Corinne in an effort to help some young lady or gentleman achieve their lifetime dream of becoming a hair stylist. We miss Corinne dearly. Please continue to keep our family in your prayers.”

May God Bless you! Love Janice, Roger, Leann, Corey and Cooper (Corinne's dog) Lamping.

Scholarship Details

- Provide financial support for an Indiana student attending the Aveda Fredric's Institute in Indianapolis. Preference will be given to Ripley County residents who satisfy the criteria and if there is no such applicant second preference will be to a Southeast Indiana resident.
- The value of the scholarships each year will depend on the value of the distribution of the endowment fund.
- Indiana students who have graduated from high school and been accepted to and planning to attend Aveda Fredric's Institute (Indianapolis-317-578-5500) may apply directly to Aveda's Financial Aid Office, 6020 82nd Street, Indianapolis, IN 46250.
- The Advisory Scholarship Committee shall be composed of a representative of the Lamping family, a community member, and a cosmetologist from Guys and Gals Quarters in Batesville, Indiana; and will make a recommendation to the Ripley County Community Foundation Scholarship Committee regarding proposed scholarship recipients.

Criteria

The applicant must:

- Complete the Aveda entrance application and indicate that you are interested in the Corinne's Believers Scholarship; AND
- Provide written notice to the Ripley County Community Foundation of your interest in this scholarship; AND
- Have a minimum GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale; AND
- Provide a letter of recommendation from a non-family member detailing the applicant's character and work ethic.

Submit your written notice of interest in this scholarship

by **June 1st** to

Ripley County Community Foundation

**The Corinne's Believers Memorial Scholarship
Intention to Apply**

Writable Intention to Apply under Scholarships on www.rccfonline.org

Complete the form below if you plan to apply to Aveda and you are interested in the Corinne's Believers Scholarship.

Name: _____

High School you will graduate from in spring: _____

Approximate date of enrollment in Aveda Institute: _____

Phone number where you can be contacted: _____

Email where you can be contacted: _____

The Jeremy David Ebinger Memorial Scholarship



The Jeremy David Ebinger Memorial Scholarship was established in 2002 as an endowment fund in the Ripley County Community Foundation, Inc. Jeremy's parents, David and Lisa Ebinger, created the scholarship in honor of their son's memory. Jeremy was a graduate of South Ripley High School and Diesel Mechanics School.

Scholarship Details

- The amount of the scholarship shall be determined by the annual distribution of the fund.
- Recipients cannot be a member of the Ebinger family.
- Recipients are eligible only one time.
- The scholarship will be awarded during the honors convocation.
- The student shall be selected using the following prioritized preferences:
 - Plan to study in the field of diesel mechanics.
 - Be or have been a FFA member at South Ripley High School or Jac-Cen-Del High School and seeking higher education in any field.
 - Be or have been a 4-H member at South Ripley High School or Jac-Cen-Del High School and seeking higher education in any field.
- The Advisory Scholarship Committee shall be composed of a member of the Donor's family or donor's designee, the pastor at Hopewell Baptist Church and a community member; and will make a recommendation to the Ripley County Community Foundation Scholarship Committee regarding proposed scholarship recipients.

Criteria

The applicant must:

- Be a graduating senior from South Ripley High School or Jac-Cen-Del High School; AND
- Complete the Ripley County Community Foundation Scholarship Application; AND
- Provide a written personal recommendation from a teacher, coach, pastor, or employer.

Return typed application with all attachments
by **March 1st** to
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The Matt Gutzwiller Memorial Scholarship



The Matt Gutzwiller Memorial Scholarship
was started by the City of Batesville to honor Matt Gutzwiller.

Scholarship Details

- Dollar amount for this Scholarship will be determined by the yearly distribution of the fund.
- The Scholarship will benefit active or retired members, or the children or grandchildren of active or retired members of the Volunteer Fire Department of Batesville, IN, or the EMS 10 Life Squad.
- The Advisory Scholarship Committee shall be composed of the Mayor of the City of Batesville or a designee of the Mayor of Batesville, an appointee from the Batesville City Council, and a member of the Gutzwiller family; and will make a recommendation to the Ripley County Community Foundation Scholarship Committee regarding proposed scholarship recipients.
- The recipient shall be selected based upon applicant's demonstration of his/her ambition and intent to further his/her education after high school.
- No member of the selection committee may have a family member selected for the scholarship.

Criteria

The applicant must:

- Be a member of, or child of, or grandchild of an active or retired member of the Batesville Volunteer Fire Department or EMS 10 Life Squad; AND
- Provide written verification of this relationship from the Batesville Fire Department; AND
- Complete Ripley County Community Foundation Scholarship Application.

Return typed application with all attachments
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The J. Michael Hansen M.D. Memorial Scholarship



Friends of Dr. Hansen created this scholarship to honor his memory. Dr. Hansen practiced in the Batesville area and at Margaret Mary Hospital. He had a great appreciation for the nurses with whom he worked. The scholarship is for graduating students from Ripley County who plan to study nursing.

Scholarship Details

- The amount of this scholarship will be determined by the annual distribution of the fund.
- The Advisory Scholarship Committee shall be composed of the Batesville High School Principal, the Margaret Mary Community Hospital Vice-President of Nursing and the Principal of Oldenburg Academy; and will make a recommendation to the Ripley County Community Foundation Scholarship Committee regarding proposed scholarship recipient(s).

Criteria

Applicant must:

- Be a graduating senior from Batesville High School; or
A graduating senior from any other Ripley County high school; or
A graduating senior from Oldenburg Academy; AND
- Be planning a major in an accredited nursing program with the intent to obtain the status of Registered Nurse; AND
- Have a 3.5 GPA on a 4.0 grading scale; AND
- Demonstrate a real need of funds to pay tuition for college; AND
- Include a copy of acceptance letter from your college or university; AND
- Submit a letter of a recommendation from a high school teacher or guidance counselor; AND
- Complete the Ripley County Community Foundation Scholarship Application.

Return typed application with all attachments
by **March 1st** to
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The Samantha Hansen Memorial Scholarship



Samantha was in her senior year at South Ripley High School when an automobile accident tragically took her life. She was very involved in her church and community and active in many organizations at her school. But most important to her was her 10-year membership in 4-H. At the time of her death she was serving as the President. “Sam”, as she was known to her family and friends was also a 4-year member of FFA. She was serving as the President of this organization also. On her Senior Memory Book page titled “My Bucket List”, she listed many things she wanted to do to help others. Her family and friends wanted to make sure she could continue to do that so a scholarship was started in her name. Now she continues to make a difference in young people’s lives ... forever.

Scholarship Details

- The scholarship will be funded by the annual distribution allocated by the Ripley County Community Foundation, Inc.
- Funds will be paid directly to the college, university or technical school the recipient is planning to attend with one-half of the award being paid for the 1st semester and one-half of the award being paid for the 2nd semester.
- The Advisory Scholarship Committee shall be composed of one member of the Hansen family, the pastor of First Southern Baptist Church of Versailles, two members of the Versailles, Indiana community and a staff member of the South Ripley School Corporation; and will make recommendations to the Ripley County Community Foundation Scholarship Committee regarding proposed scholarship recipients.
- Applicants shall not be a member of the Hansen family nor be related to a member of the Advisory Scholarship Committee.

Criteria

Applicant must:

- Be a graduating senior from South Ripley High School-Versailles, Indiana; AND
- Submit a 300 word essay on how he/she has made, and will continue to make a difference in his/her church, school, and community; AND
- Submit two letters of recommendation from community members not related to applicant; AND
- Complete the Ripley County Community Foundation Scholarship Application.

Return typed application with all attachments
by **March 1st** to
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The Emily Mathes Memorial Scholarship



The Emily Mathes Memorial Scholarship was established in 2012 by Emily's parents and sisters. The initial funding of the scholarship was made possible through the love and generosity of family, friends, and the community. Emily was a freshman honor roll student at South Ripley who participated in sports and various other school activities. She was constantly on the go and felt very strongly about her faith, family, and friends. She was an active member of the Versailles Baptist Church. As a tribute to the many friendships she had at South Ripley and the surrounding schools, this scholarship was created. The goal is to provide two South Ripley seniors with scholarships and a third scholarship opportunity for either a Milan or Jac-Cen-Del senior.

Emily is loved and will continue to be missed very much. These scholarships are to assist young people achieve their potential in Emily's memory. Good luck to the applicants and God Bless.

Scholarship Details

- The value of the scholarship each year will depend on the value of the distribution of the endowment fund divided evenly among the number of scholarships awarded.
- The Advisory Scholarship Committee shall be composed of a donor or donor appointee, a South Ripley Senior High School faculty member and a South Ripley Senior High administrator and will make a recommendation to the Ripley County Community Foundation Scholarship Committee regarding proposed scholarship recipients.
- Applicants cannot be related to any member of the Advisory Scholarship Committee.

Criteria

The applicant must:

- Be a graduating senior from South Ripley; OR
Be a graduating senior from Jac-Cen-Del; OR
Be a graduating senior from Milan High School; AND
- Be planning a college major in the field of education and/or a medically related field; AND
- Have a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher on a 4.0 scale; AND
- Submit two letters of recommendation from members of his/her community not related to the applicant; AND
- Submit a 500 word essay on his/her contributions to church, school, and community; AND
- Complete the Ripley County Community Foundation Scholarship Application.

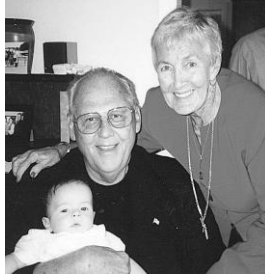
In the event that the above criteria are too restrictive, the purpose of the Fund shall include the support of educational scholarships for deserving students who most closely satisfy the criteria.

Return typed application with all attachments

by **March 1st** to

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The William H. (Gus) and Mary Margaret Moorhead Scholarships



Two scholarships are given in memory of William H. (Gus) Moorhead and in honor of Mary Margaret Moorhead-the Moorhead Student Athlete Scholarship and the Moorhead Print Media Scholarship. Mr. Moorhead was the first basketball coach and then principal at South Ripley High School for 23 years. Mrs. Moorhead taught journalism and speech at South Ripley for 25 years, serving as advisor for the school newspaper for 25 years and the school yearbook for 12 years. Both Mr. and Mrs. Moorhead continued their work with print media after retirement from SRHS at the end of the 1991 school year. Employed by Ripley publishing Company from 1991-2006, Mr. Moorhead wrote sports columns and Mrs. Moorhead was a staff writer. The Moorhead Student Athlete Scholarship honors a member of the South Ripley graduating class who has excelled in athletics, scholarship, leadership and attendance; the Moorhead Print Media Scholarship benefits a graduating member of the *Raiders Riot* staff at SRHS.

Scholarship Details

- The value of the scholarships will be determined by the annual distribution of the fund. Said annual distribution will be divided equally between the two scholarships.
- The Advisory Scholarship Committee shall be composed of the principal of the South Ripley Senior High School, the *Raiders Riot* advisor, the Athletic Director of the South Ripley High School and a member of the Moorhead family and will make a recommendation to the Ripley County Community Foundation Scholarship Committee regarding proposed scholarship recipients.
- Awards will be presented at the annual South Ripley High School Honors Night program.

Print Media Scholarship Criteria

The applicant must:

- Be a graduating senior from South Ripley Senior High School or its township schools; AND
- Have at least a 3.3 grade point average; AND
- Have served on the staff of *Raiders Riot* (or school newspaper) for at least two years; AND
- Have contributed to the newspaper in an outstanding way as writer, editor, layout/design, photographer, or advertising manager; AND
- Submit a 500 word essay on his/her contribution to South Ripley High School print media and his/her plans for the future.

Criteria for Student Athlete Scholarship

The applicant must:

- Be a graduating senior from South Ripley Senior High School or its township schools; AND
- Have at least a 3.3 grade point average; AND
- Have participated in the South Ripley High School athletic program; AND
- Have exhibited the qualities of excellence in athletics, scholarship, leadership and attendance.
- Submit a 500 word essay on his/her contributions to South Ripley athletics and his/her plans for the future.

In the event that the above criteria are too restrictive, the purpose of the Fund shall include the support of educational scholarships for deserving students who most closely satisfy the criteria.

Return typed application with all attachments by **March 1st to Ripley County Community Foundation**

The Sandra Michelle Riggle Memorial Scholarship



The Sandra Michelle Riggle Memorial Scholarship was established in 2009 as an endowment fund in the Ripley County Community Foundation, Inc. Miss Riggle's parents, Steve and Sandy Riggle, and brothers, Jonathan and Jeremy Riggle, of Jeffersonville, created this scholarship in honor of their daughter and sister's memory. Sandra Michelle Riggle was a 26 year-old Science teacher at South Ripley Junior/Senior High School in the 2007 to 2009 school years. She was a 2001 Honors graduate of Jeffersonville High School as well as a member of the National Honor Society. Miss Riggle was a 2006 graduate of Indiana University Southeast with degrees in Biology and Chemistry and Secondary Science Education. She was a Girl Scout Silver and Gold Award Recipient as well as a Lifetime Member of the Girl Scouts of America. She was a lifelong member of First Presbyterian Church of Jeffersonville. She resided in North Vernon.

Scholarship Details

- The value of the scholarship will be determined by the annual distribution of the fund.
- This is a one-time scholarship to be awarded on the successful completion of the awardee's first semester at an accredited college. A transcript of the first semester's work **MUST** be provided to Ripley County Community Foundation in order for the scholarship to be paid to the school.
- The Advisory Scholarship Committee shall be composed of two South Ripley Junior/Senior High School science faculty members and the principal of said high school and will make a recommendation to the Ripley County Community Foundation Scholarship Committee regarding proposed scholarship recipients. All applications will be submitted to the Advisory Scholarship Committee without specific identifying information.
- Applicant cannot be a member of the family or related to a member of the Advisory Scholarship Committee.

Criteria

Applicant must:

- Be a **FEMALE** graduating senior of South Ripley Junior/Senior High School- Versailles, Indiana; **AND**
- Be planning a college major in the field of education and/or a science-related field; **AND**
- Have a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher; **AND**
- Provide two letters of recommendation from members of the community who are not related to the applicant; **AND**
- Complete the Ripley County Community Foundation Scholarship Application.

Return typed application with all attachments
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The Joe Shotwell Memorial Scholarship



Joseph Shotwell was a pilot, A&P mechanic, director of maintenance, airport manager, little league baseball coach, husband, and loving father to his eight children. Joe lived 67 years serving aviation, his family, the community, and his friends until his death in 2000. He earned his A&P mechanic's license at Purdue University where he helped to build the university's department fleet of restored DC 3s and salvaged C 47s. Joe joined Hillenbrand Industries in 1961 as a mechanic, co-pilot and airfield manager. Over the next 35 years, Joe accumulated over 6,000 hours of flight time and became full-time director of maintenance.

Scholarship Details

- Amount of the scholarship will be determined by the annual distribution of the fund.
- Award will be given at Honors Program
- The Advisory Scholarship Committee shall be composed of a representative of the Shotwell family, a representative of Batesville High School and a representative of Oldenburg Academy; and will make a recommendation to the Ripley County Community Foundation Scholarship Committee regarding proposed scholarship recipients.
- The applicant cannot be related to a member of the Advisory Scholarship Committee.

Criteria

The applicant must:

- Have a diploma from an accredited high school; AND
- Be a current resident of Ripley or Franklin Counties; AND
- Be accepted to Purdue University full-time course of study in the field of Aviation Technology/Mechanics; and
- Submit proof of admission to Purdue; AND
- Show community involvement; AND
- Demonstrate financial need; AND
- Submit a letter of recommendation from a teacher or administrator; AND
- Complete the Ripley County Community Foundation Scholarship Application.

In the event that the above criteria are too restrictive, the purpose of the Fund shall include the support of educational scholarships for deserving students who most closely satisfy the criteria.

Return typed application and required attachments
by **March 1st** to
Ripley County Community Foundation

The South Eastern IN Natural Gas Co., Inc. Scholarship



Robert Workman of Morristown, Indiana is the president of the South Eastern IN Natural Gas Co., Inc. which services Dearborn and Ripley Counties. He is also a philanthropist who is very involved in his community. He wants to contribute to the educational opportunities of the patrons of South Eastern IN Natural Gas Co., Inc. This scholarship allows him to do that.

Scholarship Details

- South Eastern IN Natural Gas Co., Inc. is providing a scholarship for a graduating senior whose primary legal residence is in the South Eastern IN Natural Gas Co., Inc. service area.
- The amount of the scholarship will be determined by the annual distribution of the fund.
- The scholarship shall be awarded only if the recipient is eligible to return to classes for the second phase of their educational pursuit. Proof of said progress must be mailed to the Ripley County Community Foundation. A corresponding transcript and proof of second year enrollment will then be required. Students on academic probation will be disqualified.
 - For a student pursuing a two or four year degree, the scholarship will be paid to the institution of higher education upon successful completion of the first year.
 - For a student pursuing certification from a technical or vocational school, the scholarship will be paid to the institution of higher learning upon successful completion of the first term.

Criteria

Applicant must:

- Be a graduating senior;
- Have his/her primary legal residence in the South Eastern IN Natural Gas Co., Inc. service area and whose parent, grandparent or legal guardian is an existing, and has been for no less than 36 consecutive months, a customer of South Eastern IN Natural Gas Co., Inc.;
- Provide a letter of acceptance from an accredited four or two year college, university, or technical school located within the state of Indiana;
- Submit a copy of his/her high school transcript with a GPA between 2.5 and 3.5;
- Submit two letters of recommendation from members of the community who are not related to applicant and who can address the applicant's community and charitable involvement;
- Demonstrate the following: Drive or Motivation- unique ability to create a successful station in life and expand those attributes to define their future endeavors; Balance- balance of community involvement, academic pursuits, extra-curricular activities, and/or employment; Financial Need- submit a report of scholarships received and/or applied for;
- Complete the Ripley County Community Foundation Scholarship Application.
- Include a statement with name & address of the Southeastern IN Natural Gas Company customer & the applying student's relationship to the customer.

Return typed application with all attachments by **March 1st** to **Ripley County Community Foundation**

The Harry W. Thompson Memorial Scholarship



Harry Thompson was the editor and publisher of the Versailles *Republican* until the time of his death in 1964. A longtime resident of Southeastern Indiana, he was active in many civic organizations and believed in leaving a worthwhile legacy. The scholarship was begun to honor his name.

Scholarship Details

- This award is based on academic and civic performance.
- The scholarship is a non-renewable scholarship to any College or University.
- Amount of scholarship is determined by the annual distribution of the fund.
- Scholarship winner will be announced on Honors Night.
- The Advisory Scholarship Committee shall be composed of the publisher of the *Osgood Journal/Versailles Republican*, the Executive Director of the Ripley County Community Foundation and a current or retired journalism instructor in Ripley County and will make a recommendation to the Ripley County Community Foundation Scholarship Committee regarding proposed scholarship recipients.

Criteria

The applicant must:

- Have graduated from Milan, South Ripley or Jac-Cen-Del High School; AND
- Have an acceptance letter to the college or university they will attend; AND
- Be majoring in journalism, photojournalism, or advertising/marketing; AND
- Have been a member of the high school yearbook or newspaper staff; AND
- Have at least a 2.5 grade average; AND
- Attach a sample of his/her writing of no more than 500 words (no poetry). A high school writing assignment may be submitted; AND
- Attach two letters of recommendation; AND
- Complete the Ripley County Community Foundation Scholarship Application.

Return typed application with all attachments
by **March 1st** to
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Tanner Tucker Memorial Scholarship



Tanner Tucker was an amazing young man, who was taken from this world too soon. He was involved in a fatal, single-car accident on August 7, 2010, the weekend before his senior year at South Ripley was to begin. Tanner was the president of his class, as well as a leader in the other various activities in which he was involved. Tanner participated on the Raider varsity basketball and baseball teams, was voted Homecoming prince, was a member of Student Council, and an anchor with the CNNSR media staff. He was an active member of the Versailles Baptist youth group, as well as a volunteer coach for Special Olympics. Tanner loved life, and was known for his continually optimistic outlook. "Don't Worry....Be Happy," was his mantra. He was an "A" student, who possessed an affinity for both mathematics, and for making innumerable friends. His plans were to study engineering at Purdue University.

In honor of Tanner, and with the generous outpouring of friends and family members, the Tucker family established a memorial scholarship fund.

Tanner is sorely missed by his family and others who loved him, but through this scholarship, his legacy will live on.

Scholarship Details

- The dollar amount of the scholarship will be determined by the annual distribution of the fund.
- The Advisory Scholarship Committee shall be composed of a member of the Tanner Tucker family, an employee of the South Ripley School Corporation and a member of the community; and will make a recommendation to the Ripley County Community Foundation Scholarship Committee regarding proposed scholarship recipient(s).

Criteria

The applicant must:

- Be a Graduating Senior from South Ripley High School, Versailles, IN; AND
- Have a GPA of 3.0 or better on a 4.0 grading scale; AND
- Have participated in sports during their high school career; AND
- Have participated in community service during their high school career; AND
- Complete the Ripley County Community Foundation Scholarship Application.

In the event that the above criteria are too restrictive, the purpose of the Fund shall include the support of educational scholarships for deserving students who most closely satisfy the criteria.

Return typed application
by **March 1st** to
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The Tyson Scholarship

This scholarship was set up to support the non-traditional student, specifically those individuals who are pursuing technical degrees, are pursuing education later in life or who need assistance to finish their college degree.

Scholarship Details

- The amount of the scholarship shall be determined by the annual distribution from the fund.
- Examples of individuals who qualify for this scholarship are as follows:
 1. A high school senior who has been accepted in a course of study other than college, such as a technical school program (i.e. cosmetology, diesel mechanics); or
 2. An older individual who has decided to further his/her education. This may include college or trade school enrollment; or
 3. A college student who has completed at least one semester of studies and is continuing his/her undergraduate or graduate studies.
- Special emphasis will be placed on:
 1. Financial need.
 2. Community involvement.
 3. Demonstration of extreme circumstances.
- The Scholarship Committee of the Ripley County Community Foundation may request a personal interview with the applicant.

Criteria

The applicant must:

- Possess a high school diploma or equivalent from an accredited high school or be in the final semester of his/her senior year; AND
- Submit a copy of his/her transcript showing information for four years of high school; AND
- Be a current resident of the South Ripley School District; AND
- Submit proof of admission to a post high school program which he/she will or does attend; AND
- Must be accepted to an accredited course of study for furthering their education; AND
- Submit a reference letter from a former teacher or administrator or employer; AND
- Complete the Tyson Memorial Scholarship application.

Applications will also be available at the Tyson Library, the Tyson United Methodist Church, and through the Ripley County Community Foundation, Inc. office.

Return typed application and all attachments
by **March 1st** to
Ripley County Community Foundation

Ripley County Community Foundation
The Tyson Memorial Scholarship Application
This application must be typed to be accepted.

Name _____
Last First Middle

Personal Information:

Date of Birth _____

Home Address _____
Street City

How long have you lived at this address? _____ Phone (home) _____
(cell) _____

Academic Information:

SAT Critical Reading _____ SAT Math _____ SAT Writing _____ Total Score _____

ACT Score _____ Grade Point Average _____ Class Rank _____ of _____

High School attended _____ Graduation Date _____ Diploma Type _____

Intended major/desired proficiency _____

Have you completed any post-secondary course work? Yes _____ No _____

If yes, please list the name of the institution and the number of credit hours you have completed at that institution and the dates of your enrollment there _____

If no, please explain how you spent your time from high school graduation to the present.

Family Information:

Does a parent claim you as a dependent? _____

If yes:

Parents' Names _____

Address _____

Occupations _____

Employers _____

Number of Brothers and Sisters: Older _____ Younger _____

Please list any brothers and sisters in a post high school education program and list the name of the institution.

Are you married? Yes _____ No _____

If yes:

Spouse's Name _____

Spouse's Employer's _____

Spouse's Occupation _____

Do you have children? Yes _____ No _____

If yes: Names and ages of your children _____

Financial Information:

Do you have any extraordinary expenses? Please explain: _____

Are you presently employed? Yes _____ No _____

Employer _____

Occupation _____

What is your total income? _____

Will your parents provide financial support for your education? Yes _____ No _____

If "yes", how much will they provide? _____

What is your parents' total income (if applicable)? _____

What is your spouse's total annual income (if applicable)? _____

Applicant's Estimated Resources and Expenses for an Academic Year

Personal Savings \$ _____ Other Aid \$ _____

Please list other scholarships and amounts you have already been awarded: _____

Other Information:

Describe any work experience not previously discussed: _____

Please list any awards or honors you have received: _____

Please list any leadership positions you have held: _____

Please list any community organizations to which you belong: _____

Please list any original talents you have in the areas of art, music, science, literature, mathematics, industrial art, etc.:

What are your strengths? _____

What are your weaknesses? _____

What type of program and institution are you planning to attend and why did you choose this course of study?

What are your goals/intentions upon completion of this program? _____

Are there any other circumstances you would like to have considered when your application is evaluated?

Unsung Hero Award



The Unsung Hero Award was established in 2014 to honor the selfless, lifelong service of Betty Ricker English, mother of Nancy Durham. Betty Ricker English was a WWII Army nurse prior to her career as a community health nurse, hospital nurse, and school nurse. She grew up in the Depression and worked her way through Ball Memorial Hospital School of Nursing. After her service in North Africa and Italy during WWII, Betty earned her bachelor's degree at the University of Minnesota. Later she obtained her teacher's license and finished her master's degree the same year her oldest daughter graduated from college. Betty always espoused the importance of supporting others in need and willingly gave of her time and talents to community organizations such as the RN Club in Rush County, the Ball State Alumni Association, the Rush County Retired Teachers, the Main Street Christian Church in Rushville, and the 105th Station Hospital reunion organization. She was a devoted friend who, without reservation, nursed loved ones with debilitating illnesses or who were recovering from surgical procedures.

Scholarship Details

- The dollar amount of the scholarship will be determined by the annual distribution of the fund.
- The scholarship will benefit an individual who has demonstrated a compassionate and willing desire to give back to the school and community in service.
- The Advisory Scholarship Committee shall be composed of Nancy Durham or her appointee & two community members & will make a recommendation to the Ripley County Community Foundation Scholarship Committee regarding proposed scholarship recipients.
- The scholarship will be paid directly to the college or university for tuition or other eligible expenses upon the completion of the first semester of the recipient's freshman year.

Criteria

The applicant must:

- Be a graduating senior of South Ripley High School; AND
- Attend a four year college or university; AND
- Submit two letters of recommendation; one from a teacher and one from a community mentor, who can attest to the student's selfless example in the school and community; AND
- President George H.W. Bush called Americans to actively consider public and community service during his presidency. At his 1989 inauguration, President Bush specifically spoke of "all the individuals and community organizations spread like stars through the nation, doing good." President Bush put actions to his words, laying groundwork for a volunteer movement that later presidents have built upon and enhanced. President Bush is also responsible for the Points of Light Foundation which promotes the "spirit of volunteerism."
- In a one-page essay, please identify an individual who has been a Point of Light in your community. Describe the qualities of this individual that personifies the spirit of this Unsung Hero Award; AND
- Complete the Ripley County Community Foundation Scholarship Application.

In the event that the above criteria are too restrictive, the purpose of the Fund shall include the support of educational scholarships for deserving students who most closely satisfy the criteria.

Return typed application by March 1st to Ripley County Community Foundation

The Daryl Lea Van Hook Memorial Scholarship



The Daryl Lea Van Hook Memorial Scholarship was established in 2001 as an endowment fund in the Ripley County Community Foundation, Inc. Miss Van Hook's parents, Bill and Marilyn Van Hook of Batesville, created this scholarship to honor their daughter's memory. Miss Van Hook was a graduate of Batesville High School and Ball State University. Her degree was in Special Education

Scholarship Details

- This is a four year scholarship.
- The amount of this scholarship shall be determined by the annual distribution made from the fund and divided by four years.
- To renew the scholarship, the recipient shall provide the Ripley County Community Foundation with proof of reenrollment and verification of a GPA of 2.5 or higher.
- The Ripley County Community Foundation Scholarship Committee will serve as the selection committee.
- Applicant cannot be a member of the family or of anyone sitting on the selection committee per IRS regulations.

Criteria

Applicant must:

- Be a resident of Ripley County; AND
- Be a graduating senior from any Ripley County, Indiana high school (including Batesville High School and Oldenburg Academy); AND
- Have a GPA of 3.0 or higher; AND
- Be planning to attend Ball State University as a full-time student; AND
- Submit a written recommendation from a high school or college counselor or teacher; AND
- Complete the Ripley County Community Foundation Scholarship Application.

In the event that the above criteria are too restrictive, the purpose of the fund shall include the support of educational scholarships for deserving students who most closely satisfy the criteria.

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Versailles Masonic Lodge #7 F&AM Scholarship

As one of the world's oldest and largest fraternal organizations, Freemasonry seeks to improve the community by improving and strengthening the character of the individual man. It stands for citizenship of the highest order, for enlightenment and orderly liberty; civil, religious and intellectual. It wages war only against the powers of darkness — ignorance, superstition and tyranny. Its grand aim is to teach, encourage, and inspire those who join its ranks to take their places in society as responsible citizens, each with a genuine concern for his fellow men, to the end that God may be glorified and His children may live together on this earth as brothers. The Freemasons of Versailles Masonic Lodge #7, F&AM recognize that the future of our community rests solely on the shoulders of our youth of today. We are pleased to have this opportunity to invest in our community by supporting our students and future leaders.

Scholarship Details

- The amount of the scholarship will be determined by the annual distribution from the fund.
- The Advisory Scholarship Committee shall be composed of three members of the Versailles Masonic Lodge #7, F&AM and shall make a recommendation to the Ripley County Community Foundation Scholarship Committee regarding proposed scholarship recipients.
- The applicant cannot be related, by first degree or second degree to a member of the Advisory Scholarship Committee.
- Preference shall be to award two scholarships per year, one to a male and one to a female, but this will be determined by the amount of the annual distribution.
- Preference shall be given to applicants with a familial connection to the Fraternity. For example, if the applicant's father, grandfather, brother or uncle are or were Masons in good standing.

Criteria

The applicant must:

- Be a senior at South Ripley High School planning to graduate in the spring of the year of application; AND
- State his/her familial connection to the Fraternity by providing name of Mason and relationship; AND
- Complete the Ripley County Community Foundation Scholarship Application.

In the event that the above criteria are too restrictive, the purpose of the Fund shall include the support of educational scholarships for deserving students who most closely satisfy the criteria.

Return typed application and attachments
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The Clara Bell Vestal Scholarship

Clara Bell Vestal Scholarship was established by Jo Westmeyer in memory of her sister, Clara Bell. Clara Bell was a lifelong resident of the Versailles area who understood the value of furthering one's education beyond high school. She recognized the impact education can have on one person and on a community. Therefore, her family established The Clara Bell Vestal Scholarship to benefit South Ripley High School graduates and help them offset the cost of college tuition.

Scholarship Details

- Provide financial support for an Indiana student attending an accredited 2- or 4-year public or private institution of higher learning.
- Preference will be given to applicants who reside in the South Ripley Community School District who satisfy the criteria and if there is no such applicant second preference will be to a Ripley County resident.
- Preference will be given to applicants who are in their second, third, or fourth year in college.
- Previous recipients of this scholarship are eligible to reapply.

Criteria

The applicant must:

- Be a resident of the South Ripley Community School Corporation or a graduate of South Ripley High School; AND
- Be a student in good standing at the college or university in which the applicant is enrolled; AND
- Be studying or planning to major in the field of agriculture; AND
- Shall complete an essay of no more than 500 words on why the applicant has chosen to study/major in the field of agriculture; AND
- Complete the Ripley County Community Foundation Scholarship application.

In the event that the above criteria are too restrictive, the purpose of the fund shall include the support of educational scholarships for deserving students who most closely fit the criteria.

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The Greg and Candy Wehr Memorial Scholarship



This scholarship was established in 2012 to honor and memorialize Greg and Candy Wehr. Greg and Candy were involved community members who believed in bettering the lives of those around them. Greg was a Ripley County farmer who graduated from Purdue University with a degree in Ag-Engineering. He served on the Southeastern Indiana REMC Board of Directors and was a private pilot. Candy was a former teacher at South Ripley Elementary and National Consultant for Renaissance Learning who graduated from Indiana State with her Bachelor's and Master's degrees in Elementary Education. She enjoyed spending time in her garden. Both enjoyed traveling to new places and flying in their plane. Greg and Candy were innovative thinkers and had high aspirations for themselves and those around them. They will be remembered for their generous hearts, love for family and friends, and happy smiles.

Scholarship Details

- Is worth \$1,250 the first year of college.
- May be renewable for three additional years if University GPA threshold is maintained (for a total value of \$5,000 over four years).
- No family member of the selection committee may be considered for this scholarship.

Criteria

The applicant must:

- Be a Ripley County resident; AND
- Be a graduating senior who plans to start his/her higher education career in the year they graduate from high school; AND
- Plan to pursue a career in the field of agriculture and/or education; AND
- Submit a written letter of recommendation from a teacher, coach, pastor, school personnel, or employer. It may be anyone other than a family member or peer/friend; AND
- Complete the Ripley County Community Foundation Scholarship Application.

In the event that the above criteria are too restrictive, the purpose of the Fund shall include the support of educational scholarships for deserving students who most closely satisfy the criteria.

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The Matt and Cleo Werner Scholarship



This scholarship was established by family members in honor of Matt and Cleo, both upstanding citizens in their community and church. The couple worked hard to raise their 17 children. Both Matt and Cleo felt a good education, hard work and a willingness to give to those in the community were important qualities to achieve. They passed their belief on to their children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

It is in their name that this scholarship has been established to assist a qualified student in achieving his or her dreams.

Scholarship Details

- Amount of scholarship will be determined by the annual distribution from the fund.
- The Ripley County Community Foundation Scholarship Committee will serve as the selection committee.
- Selection will be based on:
 - Scholastic merit
 - Financial need
 - Community involvement
 - Potential for success

Criteria

The applicant must:

- Be a graduating senior from: Batesville High School, Franklin County High School, Greensburg High School, Jac-Cen-Del High School, Milan High School, North Decatur High School, Oldenburg Academy, South Decatur High School, or South Ripley High School; AND
- Be planning to pursue a 2 or 4-year degree at an accredited institution; AND
- Have a grade point average between 2.8 & 3.5 on a 4.0 scale; AND
- Provide two letters of reference with one letter being from a teacher or employer; AND
- Submit one essay- choose one of the following questions- no more than two type-written pages:
 - a.) Discuss a disappointment or set back in your life. How did you overcome it and move forward? How are you a changed person because of this experience?; OR
 - b.) Discuss an accomplishment you have achieved over the past three years that you considered valuable and significant. Why? (Remember that an accomplishment is something you have done, not an award that has been bestowed upon you.); AND
- Submit two short answer questions-each answer should be no longer than ½ typewritten page:
 - a.) Other than scholarships, what have you done to prepare for the expense of your college education?
 - b.) What are your educational goals or aspirations? How did you plan on accomplishing them?

Return typed application with all attachments

by **March 1st** to

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The Westmeyer Family Memorial Scholarship



This scholarship was established in memory of Jesse H. Westmeyer, Sr., Jesse H. Westmeyer, Jr. and Stephen B. Westmeyer in recognition of their devotion of service to God and community. The scholarship will be awarded each year to a graduating South Ripley High School student pursuing a post-secondary education for a career in the building trades, law enforcement or an undergraduate degree from any accredited college/university in any field of study. Hoping to find students that are following the good example of these three men, consideration will be given to applicants who have demonstrated involvement in community and church organizations.

It is the desire of the Westmeyer family to help change the lives of deserving students in the future.

Scholarship Details

- The dollar amount of the scholarship will be determined by the annual distribution of the fund.
- Emphasis shall be given to those applicants who have demonstrated involvement in community organizations and/or activities, contributions of time to church and/or civic organizations.
- The Advisory Scholarship Committee shall be composed of a donor or donor's appointee, an employee of the South Ripley Community School Corporation and a resident of the Versailles community; and shall make a recommendation to the Ripley County Community Foundation Scholarship Committee regarding proposed scholarship recipient(s). Westmeyer Scholarship Committee will make a recommendation to the RCCF Scholarship Committee.
- No family member of the selection committee may be considered for this scholarship.

Criteria

Applicant must:

- Be a senior at South Ripley High School; AND
- Submit a 500 or less word essay describing the applicant's contribution to church, school, and/or community and describing financial need; AND
- Have a GPA of 2.8 or better on a 4.0 grading scale; AND
- Submit two letters of recommendation from non-family members; AND
- Complete the Ripley County Community Foundation Scholarship Application.

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by **March 1st** to
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