

ATWOOD-MAUCK POST 459
AMERICAN LEGION SCHOLARSHIPS

Chaplain Bernard Katz Memorial Scholarship - \$1000

- Given to **one** Cardinal High School **or** Berkshire High School graduating senior planning to enter the physical sciences or engineering fields

Christafferson Memorial Scholarship - \$1000

- Given to **one** Cardinal High School graduating senior

Bates Memorial Scholarship - \$1000

- Given to **one** Berkshire High School graduating senior

Cyrene "Cy" Zion Memorial Scholarship - \$1000

- Given to **one** Burton-Middlefield area graduating high school senior planning to study agriculture or political science

Post 459 Scholarships - \$1000

- **Two** scholarships are available, one given to a Cardinal High School graduating senior **and** one to a Berkshire High School graduating senior

Post 459 Family Member Scholarships - \$1000

- Given to **one** graduating senior with a relative who is an active member of Atwood-Mauck Post 459

Richard and Judy Stone Scholarships - \$1000

- **Two** scholarships are available to current Geauga County residents who are U.S. military veterans, or who have a parent, grandparent, or sibling who is a veteran or is currently on active duty. In addition to graduating high school seniors, applications are also welcome from current college and technical school students.

Scholarship selection criteria (in order of priority):

1. Application Essay
2. G.P.A. / Class Standing
3. Recommendations (3) – e.g. teacher, employer, civic leader, pastor, etc.
4. Financial need
5. Academic Awards / School Activities
6. Community Activities / Volunteer Activities

Mail completed application package to: American Legion Post 459, PO Box 261, Burton, OH 44021. *****Submission deadline: Thursday, April 4, 2019 *****

THE CHAPLAIN BERNARD (BERNIE) KATZ MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Bernard (Bernie) Katz, 1932-2014

United States Navy (1952-1960)

Chaplain, American Legion Post 459, Burton, Ohio (2012-2014)

Friend to All – He never met a stranger.

Bernie was a sailor his whole life. Born on the east coast, he always loved the water and after a year at Brooklyn College, he enlisted in the Navy, leaving for the final time in 1960.

Bernie served as an ET-2 aboard a Man-of-War, the Aircraft Carrier USS Monterey, and was also a submariner. Because of his superior knowledge and skill, he was appointed to the position of Acting Chief for all electronics on his ship before he was 20 years old. He learned many of his life skills from his time in the Navy and was honored to have been a member of the Navy.

After Bernie left active duty, he worked as a design engineer for Beltone in Chicago and was on the team that designed the first transistorized hearing aid. On the educational side, he presented numerous seminars on human acoustics to hearing specialists.

While in Chicago, he attended Illinois Institute of Technology at night while working to support his growing family. When he moved to northeastern Ohio, he used his electronics and communications skills to start a number of successful businesses, including a computer business and a recruiting business, where he placed highly technical personnel in nationally known corporations.

Bernie was always interested in furthering education for all people. To preserve his legacy and passion, a memorial scholarship in his name has been established to foster, encourage, and promote scientific thinking for students who plan to study the physical sciences or engineering fields. He would say, "Go for it!"

APPLICATION ESSAY

Please discuss your education goals and describe how you believe any specific skills you may have developed thus far will contribute to your future success in post-secondary education and in life.

Applicant Signature _____

FAMILY INFORMATION**

Parents' Names and Address(es):

Parents' Employer(s):

Number of Dependents:

TO THE PARENTS

1. If your son/daughter does not receive financial aid such as this and/or other scholarships, will you be able to pay for him/her to complete the plans he/she has for further education/training?

Please check one:

_____ Yes, definitely.

_____ Yes, if he/she is able to find a part-time job during the summers and while in school.

_____ Yes, but only if we secure a loan from a lending institution, because the family income is insufficient to carry the expense of college/additional training, which we anticipate to be \$ _____ per year.

_____ No.

2. Please share any additional comments that might clarify your financial situation (e.g. other children in college, etc.).

Signature of Parent(s)

** Only applicants who were legally claimed as dependents on their parents' 2015 IRS tax returns should complete this page.

5. Describe your participation in community and/or volunteer activities.

6. List three (3) personal references (e.g., teacher, employer, civic leader, pastor, etc.) and attach **sealed** letters of reference to this application. (Please provide copies of Application Page 5 and a business size envelope to each reference for their use.)

	Name	Position	Telephone Number
1.			
2.			
3.			

AMERICAN LEGION SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

ATWOOD-MAUCK POST 459

Date _____

Applicant Name _____

Address _____

Telephone number _____

High School _____

Scholarship(s) applied for _____

If applying for the Bates or Christafferson Memorial Scholarships, the Post 459 Family Member Scholarship, or the Richard and Judy Stone Scholarships, provide the following information:

Veteran name(s) / Legion Member name _____

Years of service _____

Relationship to the veteran(s) / Legion Member _____

Have you been accepted to a post-secondary institution? Yes / Not Yet

School/Location _____

Major and degree/certification goals _____

Annual Expenses		Resources	
Tuition/Fees		Savings	
Books		Summer Job(s)	
Meals/Housing		Scholarships	
Travel		Grants	
Clothing		Family	
Personal		Loans	
Other		Other	
Total Costs		Total Resources	

THE BATES MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

The Bates Memorial Scholarship of \$1000 is awarded annually to a Berkshire High School Senior.

Howard W. Bates

U.S. Army, 505th Parachute Infantry Regiment

82nd Airborne Division

Entered Service from: Ohio

Rank: Private

Died: Sunday, January 7, 1945

Buried: Henri-Chapelle American Cemetery, Henri-Chapelle, Belgium

Plot: C Row: 6 Grave 31

Awards: Purple Heart

THE CRISTAFFERSON MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

The Cristafferson Memorial Scholarship of \$1000 is awarded annually to a Cardinal High School Senior.

Richard C. Cristafferson

Entered U.S. Army from Ohio in February 1944 at the age of 18

Served as a truck driver in an infantry division in the European Theater

Attained the rank of corporal

Corporal Cristafferson was captured in November 1944 and spent 7 months in an internment camp as a prisoner of war.

Awarded the Purple Heart

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Personal Reference Form

Thank you for your willingness to provide to our Scholarship Selection Committee your unique assessment of this applicant's qualifications. Based on your personal knowledge of this student, please share your observations of his/her potential for success at a post-secondary education institution in the space below.

Student Name _____

Reference Name/phone _____

Reference Signature _____

Please **seal** this form in the envelope provided by the student and return it to him/her for inclusion with their application. Thank you for your time!

STUDENT INFORMATION

Name _____

1. G.P.A _____ 2. Class Standing _____ out of _____

3. List of any high school academic awards.

4. Describe your participation in school activities.

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High School Guidance Counselor Verification

By signing below, I verify that the above information is correct according to

_____ High School records.

Printed Name

_____ / _____

Signature

Date