

Hazel VandenBerg Scholarship

Hazel Wikholm was born in Miner County, South Dakota, in February of 1918, the daughter of Theodore and Theresa (Palmquist) Wikholm. She joined sister Frances and brother Wendel; a younger sister, Ruth, died in infancy. Hazel attended Sun Prairie Baptist Church with her family until she left home to attend college. She married Herman VandenBerg and they had one daughter, Linda Susan. Hazel is devoted to her Lord and to her family.

In her life Hazel VandenBerg has been a teacher, an optometrist, and a guidance counselor. She has always been a proponent of higher education and is blessed to be able to share with the youth of Sun Prairie.

The Hazel VandenBerg Scholarship is a \$2,000 award given to a qualifying student, selected by an interview committee made up of three people from BGC churches (not Sun Prairie) appointed by the Pastor of Sun Prairie.

Qualifications:

1. Applicants must be an active member of Sun Prairie Baptist Church with a GPA of 3.2 or higher (submit transcript to Pastor of Sun Prairie) and plan to attend a 4 year accredited college or university.
2. Submit a letter of background and statement of faith to the Pastor of Sun Prairie by March 15 of student's senior year of high school.
3. Submit 3 letters of reference (see attached form) from Pastor, school teacher and one other person to the Pastor of Sun Prairie in a sealed envelope.
4. Once the Pastor of Sun Prairie has received school transcript, letters of reference, background and statement of faith he will refer your request and information on to the interview committee which will contact you to set up a time for an interview.
5. The interview/selection committee will inform the Pastor of Sun Prairie of their selection
6. The \$2,000 award will be mailed to the 4 year, accredited college/university prior to the start of fall classes.

When writing your letter of background and statement of faith, please include information about your family and activities that you're involved in. Also write about your faith journey; about realizing your sinfulness and need of a savior, the details of how you received Christ's forgiveness and lordship in your life. Also write about how these actions have influenced how you live your life, including any of the plans that you believe God may have for you.

Hazel Vandenberg Scholarship Recommendation Form

Reference:

Name: _____ Date: _____

Name of Applicant: _____

The above named applicant is a candidate for the Hazel Vandenberg scholarship. We value your evaluation of the applicant's suitability/qualifications for the scholarship. The Hazel Vandenberg Scholarship Committee members will use your comments to help them arrive at a better understanding of the applicant. The information you provide will be confidential.

1. How long have you known the applicant and in what capacity?

2. What points impress you the most about the applicant? Please explain.

3. What if any, points impress you least about the applicant? Please explain.

4. Do you have full confidence in the applicant's
Integrity? Yes No Sense of responsibility? Yes No
Maturity? Yes No Christian Faith? Yes No

If you answered no to any of the above, explain.

5. Does the applicant seem to work well with other people? Yes No

6. What evidences of Christian Faith have you seen exhibited by the applicant?

7. Please indicate whether you recommend the applicant as deserving of a scholarship.

- Recommend without reservation
- Recommend highly
- Recommend
- Hesitate to recommend
- Do not recommend

8. Additional Comments:

I verify that I am the author of this document and hereby attest to its accuracy and integrity.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Phone: _____

Return to applicant in sealed envelope.