

Wilderness Rendezvous Outdoorsman Scholarship

Guidelines and Terms of Reference

Scholarship Program

- Established in memory of Scouter Gerald Miller, the Wilderness Rendezvous (WR) Outdoorsman Scholarship provides qualified individuals with post-secondary educational funding of a total of \$500 per year, subject to applying each year. Recipients must exhibit both academic competence and exemplary ongoing service to Wilderness Rendezvous and Scouts Canada. Wilderness Rendezvous is a camp operating under Scouts Canada/Saskatchewan Council.

Selection Committee

The selection committee will consist of the Camp Directors.

Scholarship Qualifications

To qualify for the WR Outdoorsman Scholarship program, individuals:

- Must be registered/enrolled as a student at an accredited post-secondary educational institution (i.e. university, community college, junior college, career school, technical school, vocational/trade school) offering a degree or recognized certification.
- Must be a student in good academic standing.
- Must have successfully completed the WR youth program and be enrolled in either the Rover Program or War Bonnet or working as a leader or staff member of the camp.
- Must be Registered with Scouts Canada.
- Complete the Scholarship Application annually.
- Must be no older than 26 years of age at the time of application.

Scholarship Awards

Applications are due June 20th each year. To be awarded at camp each year.

The Scholarship will be paid directly to the Post-Secondary Educational Institution upon verification of the recipient's academic status and credited to the recipients account.

The Selection Committee may award more than one Scholarship per year to qualified, deserving individuals.

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Qualified individuals are eligible to receive the Scholarship more than one time, however, preference will be given to qualified applicants who have not received the scholarship previously.

History of the Program

The concept of a Scholarship program for the participants of the Wilderness Rendezvous came about as the result of a bequest in Memory of Scouter Gerald Miller. Scouter Gerald was a long-time supporter of WR and a firm believer in continuing education. He spent a lot of his time at camp working with the youth to enhance their outdoor skills. WR feels that the Scholarship is a way that Gerald's work can be continued even though he has Gone Home. WR envisions the Scholarship as a way to encourage younger staff members to return to the camp each summer, thus giving WR the continuity to continue to grow the program and yet maintain the balance between the old and the new. The program began in 2015 and is part of Wilderness Rendezvous's ongoing legacy for many years to come. The spirit of the Scholarship is intended for younger Scouting members beginning their post-secondary education.

Scholarship Funding

The funding for this program comes in part because of the endowed funds from Gerald as well as an allocation from Wilderness Rendezvous's general account or from the Gone Home Fund.

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