

Hursh Family Music Scholarship

About the Hursh Family

The Hursh family was active in the Goshen community from 1941 until Charles Hursh's death in 1984. Charles practiced optometry and his wife, Hulda, was a community volunteer and later manager of his office.

Charles was an accomplished trumpet player, encouraged his children's musical interests; Stanley (Bud) in voice, Georgia (Loni) in oboe and piano and Anita in trumpet and piano. Hulda was also encouraging and drove weekly from Goshen to Elkhart for many years so their children could take music lessons at the McDermott Studio.

Anita's musical interest helped her become Miss Goshen and Miss Indiana in the 1958 Miss America Competition. She remains active in the music field as a volunteer serving on the boards of the Fort Wayne Philharmonic, the International Violin Competition of Indianapolis, and the Advisory Board of Indiana University's Jacob's School of Music in Bloomington. Bud continues to sing in his church choir, Loni enjoys playing the recorder, and Anita has two pianos in her living room where she enjoys playing the two piano repertoire with friends.

The Hursh family believes:

"Music gives a soul to the universe, wings to the mind,
flight to the imagination and life to everything." -Plato

Eligibility Requirements:

1. Resident of Elkhart County for at least one year
2. Graduating Goshen High School senior
3. GPA of 3.0 or higher
4. Student having attained CORE 40 or Indiana Academic Honors Diploma/equivalent
5. Student having participated in private music study
6. Student planning to enroll full time in an accredited college or university in the United States
7. Student planning to major in Music and pursue a 4-year college degree program

Awards: One new award is given every year in the amount of \$1,500 (1-year award). Future growth of this fund may allow for an increased number of awards or scholarship amount.

To Apply: Please complete the "Universal Scholarship" application on the Community Foundation of Elkhart County website.