Holcomb Family Scholarship

The Holcomb Family Scholarship was established in December of 2010, by Mrs. Patricia “Pat” Holcomb in honor of her family. It was Pat’s intention that the Scholarship Fund would have many years of growth, allowing for future awards, after her lifetime. Sadly, on September 6, 2011, Patricia went home to be with our heavenly Father.

Pat was born Aug. 26, 1929, in Lafayette, to Leonel Herrold and Elma Lucille (Brown) Cosby. On July 16, 1950, she married J. Thomas Holcomb at Trinity United Methodist Church, Lafayette. He passed away Nov. 8, 2007. Patricia and Thomas were the proud parents of three children, one foster child and seven grandchildren.

Pat graduated from West Lafayette High School, attended Purdue and graduated from Goshen College. She was a member of Trinity United Methodist Church, where she was an usher, lay leader, youth counselor, and member of the vocal and hand bell choirs. Pat was also a member and past president of the County Park Board, president of the PTA, served on the council, member of the county council at large for two terms from 1976 to 1984, was past president of the Junior Woman’s Club, League of Women Voters, deputy voter register and precinct inspector 63 (Oslo). She received Outstanding Woman in Government and Politics from the YWCA. Pat was also a Girl Scout Leader and trainer.

Pat was owner of Happy Hours Nursery School, was a substitute teacher at Eastwood Elementary and was the first woman in the nation to be a sponsor of an Explorer Post of the Boy Scouts.

Eligibility Requirements:
1. Student from Trinity United Methodist Church
2. Resident of Elkhart County for at least one year
3. A graduating High School Senior
4. A student who has the academic capability
5. Has demonstrated financial need
6. Has a desire to secure a post-secondary college education so that their God given potential may be realized

To Apply:
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