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SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- Apply for the 2017 Scholarships!
- Meet the Trustees!
- Donation Form

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Melissa Bolin, President



Dear Members and Friends:

Thank you for taking the time out of your busy schedule to read this latest edition of the eEdNews. This is an important time of the year for the Phi Chi Theta Educational Foundation. The final scholarship deadline is coming up on May 1, 2017, and we cannot wait to see who the next winners will be!

If you are a student, you will gain tips on how you can become a scholarship winner. We encourage you to apply and there is still time left to get your materials together. Download the application on the national website, www.phichitheta.org, on the Foundation tab, under Scholarship. Don't delay—some of the items require advance notice, such as the transcripts and letters of recommendation. Start the process today to ensure a quality submission.

If you are an alum or friend of Phi Chi Theta, this will demonstrate the attributes we are looking for in the Fraternity members your donations honor. I am always amazed at the accomplishments of these deserving individuals. We are only able to make this recognition possible through your generous donations, whether they are your time or in-kind; and whether they are personal or corporate matching contributions. You all make scholarships and educational programming happen, with every Amazon Smile purchase you make, and every dollar your chapter donates. We appreciate every single one!

This time of year is a culmination of all that the Trustees of the Foundation, and the volunteers on the Scholarship Committee, work for. It represents all that our donors have accomplished, and how our financial assets perform. However, it is also the basis for the future of the Foundation. Though this is the end of a cycle, it is the beginning of another one, and we hope you will help make this next round as much of a success as the last ones have been.

Thank you again, for your time and support. Without you, we would not be able to accomplish so much!

Fraternally,

Missy Bolin
Phi Chi Theta Educational Foundation President

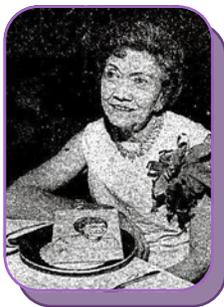


Anna E. Hall Memorial Scholarship

A scholarship was established in 1989 to honor the memory of Anna E. Hall, Founder. She was a member of Colorado Alpha, University of Denver.

In 1924, Anna was the National President of Phi Theta Kappa Business Sorority. Anna facilitated the pre-merger negotiations in Pittsburgh between Phi Theta Kappa and Phi Kappa Epsilon. Anna led the Phi Theta Kappa convention in 1924 that resulted in the merger and creation of Phi Chi Theta.

After she graduated from the University of Denver, she moved to Chicago and was an active member of the Chicago Alumni Chapter, to which she gave her loyal support. Anna was a devoted member who, with her quiet demeanor, was a force in her own way. She attended most of the Delta Chapter meetings to encourage chapter members to become members of the Chicago Alumni Chapter.



Helen D. Snow Memorial Scholarship

A scholarship was established to honor the memory of Helen D. Snow, Honorary Member of Delta Chapter, Northwestern University.

Helen served as the first female Dean of the Evening Division, School of Business, Northwestern University. This was before “political correctness” became a common buzzword.

She was also the advisor to the Delta Chapter. Helen served as a mentor to members who were ‘minority’ (female students) on a basically male-dominated campus at Northwestern.

Note: In 2017, the Anna E. Hall and the Helen D. Snow Memorial Scholarships will be combined and the scholarship recipient will receive \$1,000.

Greg Holden and Christopher Zebrowski Scholarship



From left to right—Greg Holden and Chris Zebrowski

Greg Holden (Life Member) and Chris Zebrowski are business leaders with over 25 years of professional experience in strategizing, developing, and delivering information technology solutions for government and commercial clients worldwide. Greg Holden was initiated into the Delta Sigma Chapter at James Madison University in April 1987, and graduated in 1989 with a degree in Computer Information Systems. He has served in numerous leadership positions at the National Fraternity level and on the Phi Chi Theta Educational Foundation. Greg Holden is a Lead Associate at Booz Allen Hamilton where he provides IT program management support for one of the Bureau's at the Department of Treasury. Chris Zebrowski is a 1991 graduate of Lebanon Valley College in Pennsylvania with a degree in Computer Science with a concentration on Math and Actuarial Science. While at LVC, he was actively involved in Alpha Phi Omega, the National Service Fraternity. Mr. Zebrowski is a Program Manager at Parsons, a technology-driven engineering services firm, where he manages several software and business product teams. Outside of work, he teaches the soft arts of Tai Chi and Qigong. He also mentors youth in the community. They live in Vienna, Virginia with their two cats and enjoy working in the garden and backpacking in the wilderness.

Note: In 2017, Greg Holden and Chris Zebrowski scholarship recipient will receive \$500, the amount donated by Greg and Chris, and restricted to a 2017 scholarship.

APPLY FOR SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION NOW! Deadline is May 1, 2017

Send your application by e-mail: PCTEdScholarship@aol.com. It is recommended that you request letters of recommendation, on letterhead, and transcript no later than April 1, 2017 since these items are sent separately from application. Applications that are late or incomplete will not be considered. Please review the application instructions following this section and the checklist provided on the last page of the application. Please send, by e-mail, a photo-quality business/professional picture, separate from the application. Winners of the 2017 scholarships will be announced during the regional meetings.

To qualify for consideration, applicants must be:

- A national member of Phi Chi Theta in good standing. This means that annual and assessment dues are paid.
- A student who has completed at least one semester or two quarters of college in the United States.
- A student who will be enrolled in and attending classes during the forthcoming academic year at an approved college or university in the United States, in pursuit of a degree (bachelor's, master's, or doctoral) in the fields of Business and/or Economics, or minoring in business or economics.

The criteria for selection will be based upon:

- Phi Chi Theta achievements and contributions
- Scholastic achievement as demonstrated in official transcript. Courses enrolled in during the Spring Semester 2017 (Will be on some transcripts; if not, send the list of courses you are taking with your application.)
- School and community achievement and activities
- Faculty member (required) and either a Phi Chi Theta Fraternity officer, or an employer's letters of recommendation
- Essay question

Here are some combined tidbits from the 2016 Scholarship Committee:

1. Interested in people that give of themselves selflessly in our organization, as well as involvement in the community at large which brings good rapport to Phi Chi Theta. Also looking at the overall tone of the given applicant's submission. Measurable achievements are the ultimate determining factor. Capture any demonstrable accomplishments to these ends, both great and small in the applications. Before you hit the send button on a PCT scholarship application, pause for a moment to reflect upon how you have given yourself to the community. You are being formally assessed by that community. After all you have achieved, how you then comport yourself to others in your communications takes an additional effort. What and how you formally publicize contributions above and beyond will retain a degree of permanency and notoriety in the decision-making process. Take credit for assuming permanent and temporary positions of responsibility in PCT and in any volunteer roles. Avoid the pitfalls of both understatement and overstatement and do not overlook possibilities that may apply in special circumstances, as appropriate.
2. Ensure that the questions are answered.
3. Be specific, state what, how and when "things" happened at Phi Chi Theta under your guidance.
4. Keep a log of activities that you feel would set you apart from others applying for scholarship.
5. For recommendations letter, suggest the reference know personally your involvement with PCT.

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Scholarship Committee tidbits continued.....

6. Be sure to tailor your application to your strengths. If you have been involved in numerous PCT/ school programs or community involvement initiatives, your PCT Achievements and Contributions (Section 3) and School and Community Achievement and Contributions (Section 4) portions may be better expressed with headers and bullet points for each activity/program. However, if your involvement is limited to one or two activities, you will benefit more from using a paragraph structure that focuses on how those events impact(ed) you. Regardless of the style you choose, be sure to describe your specific contributions in detail.
7. When completing the essay portion, the more thoughtful you can be in your responses, the better.
8. Do not forget to review your application for spelling and grammar errors. Answer each question as completely as possible, paying attention to any opportunities to showcase your positive character traits.
9. Be sure to apply. The Foundation looks forward to learning about your accomplishments and goals, and helping you get closer to achieving them.
10. The applications that stood out were the ones that made their involvement in Phi Chi Theta the main narrative of the application. The academic piece is only one part of the college experience; the rest is how a student chooses to develop themselves professionally, personally and who they choose to surround themselves with. Phi Chi Theta gives its members the resources to expand beyond their academic education. As an application reviewer, I want to hear specific stories about how an applicant has leveraged his/her involvement to develop themselves and how they have passed on the knowledge and skills they have learned.
11. Don't let a lower GPA or perceived lack of accomplishments deter you from pursuing this opportunity to apply! Even a small award can save you hundreds of dollars in long-term student loan pay-off amounts.
12. When you ask the people recommending you for the scholarship, give them the form that is located on the last page of the scholarship application. The people receiving this form do the best job with the recommendations. Also, the letters of recommendation must be on letterhead. Does your chapter have letterhead stationery? If not, send an e-mail to the Chair: pctedscholarship@aol.com and she will send the chapter a sample letterhead, approved by the Phi Chi Theta Fraternity.
13. If your chapter refers to members as Brothers, remember that when you fill out the scholarship application, you should refer to the members as Sisters and Brothers. If you have your President writing a letter of recommendation, he/she should refer to the members as Sisters and Brothers, or refer to you as a Sister or Brother.

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Yes, I would like to make a donation:

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

Chapter: _____ Employer/Job Title: _____

I want to make a tax deductible contribution of: \$ _____

Yes, my company has a matching program. I will apply for the matching Grant.

Please use my gift for the following purpose (select one or more):

_____ Naomi L. Satterfield Memorial Scholarship

_____ Irene M. Meyer Memorial Scholarship

_____ Dr. Kay Durden Memorial Scholarship

_____ Trustees' Scholarship

_____ Anna E. Hall/Helen D. Snow Memorial Scholarship

(Note: Award points are given from the Phi Chi Theta Fraternity to your chapter if you donate to this fund.)

_____ Educational Program and Training

_____ General Fund

Mail your donation to:

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Post Office Box 113394
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or online:

