

The **Rachel Haden Abshier Memorial Scholarship** has been endowed by Mrs. Priscilla Sliva, daughter of Rachel Haden Abshier, her family, and friends. Income from the fund will provide a scholarship to a Wharton High School graduate who will be majoring in nursing at Wharton County Junior College.

The **Sol and Betty Alpard Endowment Scholarship Fund** was established in January 1983, and the proceeds are used to assist students based upon need and ability to profit from a college education.

The **American Association of University Women Scholarship** was established in July 1973. It is awarded to a female student on the basis of need and scholastic ability. Both freshman and sophomore students are eligible for the scholarship.

The **Zula Mae Baker Scholarship Fund** has been endowed by the friends of Ms. Baker.

The **Barnes and Noble Endowed Scholarship** was established by the Barnes and Noble Bookstore in 1993, to assist returning sophomore students holding a minimum 3.5 GPA for previous work at WCJC.

The **Don Baylor Memorial Chemistry Scholarship** was established by Mrs. Don Baylor and Mr. Jack Brannon in memory of Mr. Don Baylor, a long-time chemistry teacher at Wharton County Junior College. The amount of the scholarship is up to \$400 per semester. Need and scholastic ability to profit from a college education are the basis upon which the award is made.

The **Virgie and W. H. Blaylock Memorial Scholarship Fund** was established by Virgie C. Krueger Blaylock of Wharton, Texas, as a memorial to her late husband, W. H. Blaylock. The income from this endowment is used to provide scholarships to high-school graduates from Jackson, Matagorda, and Wharton counties.

The **C. Francis Bowie and May Shelmire Duncan Memorial Scholarship** was endowed by Mr. and Mrs. G. Cameron Duncan, Sr.; their sons, G. Cameron Duncan, Jr. and Francis Bowie Duncan; and their daughters, May S. Duncan and Genevieve L. Duncan to honor their parents and grandparents, Mr. Francis Bowie Duncan and Mrs. May Shelmire Duncan. Mr. and Mrs. Duncan were pioneer ranchers and cattle breeders in Wharton County near the town of Egypt. The permanent endowment provides annual scholarship assistance to students from the Egypt area selected by the Wharton County Junior College Scholarship Committee.

The **Melissa Chambers Scholarship Fund** was endowed by donations from family and friends. Income from the fund provides one scholarship annually to qualified students.

The **L. E. Colton Scholarship** was established by the late Mr. L. E. Colton, former owner of Wharton Electric and Plumbing Company. Since 1960, this endowment has made scholarships available to residents of the Wharton County Junior College District. Need and ability to profit from a college education are the basis upon which the awards are made.

The **Duncan Wills Corbett Endowed Scholarship** was established in May 2005 and the proceeds are used to assist students in the nursing program and attending the Wharton Campus.

The **Louis Willams Cumings III and Elinor Pascoe Cumings Nursing and Allied Health Professions Scholarship** was established in 2022. "This scholarship is in honor of family members past and present who are/were nurses. We believe strongly in serving others throughout our 61 year marriage, which we have done through service in YMCA, church ministries, social work, and volunteer work with agencies serving others, especially children."

The **Del Papa Distributing Company College Endowment** was established in 2010 to commemorate the company's 100th year of business. Del Papa Distributing, founded in 1910, first opened its doors in Galveston, Texas, and now serves 17 counties along the Texas Gulf Coast. The purpose of this endowment is to give back to the communities who have helped in the success of the business over its 100-year history.

The **Kay Duplichan Memorial Scholarship** was established in 2020. Kay Duplichan was a lifelong learner and giver. She volunteered for many projects. She believed in being active. Kay started long distance running at the age of 41 and competed in over 1,000 races from 5K to marathon distances. She ran the Boston marathon in 3:44. Proceeds from this endowment are used to assist full-time students based upon need and ability to profit from a college education. Recipients for this scholarship will be determined by the Wharton County Junior College Scholarship Committee.

The **Exceptional Eye Care Scholarship** was established by Faris Ohan, O.D. to assist needy students from Wharton who are enrolled in an Associate in Applied Science Degree program.

The **Fiesta Hispano Americana Scholarship** was established in 2021. Its primary purpose is to advocate for continued education among students of Hispanic descent by providing scholarships to qualified Hispanic (or Hispanic descent) high school graduates in their quest for seeking higher education.

The **Fine Arts Scholarship Fund** was established through the generous donations of supporters of the arts. The amount of each scholarship is up to \$500 per semester. This award is made on the basis of talent in the fields of drama, forensics, and music.

The **Horton Foote Scholarship** was established to benefit drama majors who exhibit superior talent and attitude, actively participating in college productions, and succeed academically.

The **Hubert and Helen Galloway Memorial Scholarship** was established by family and friends in memory of Mr. H. O. Galloway, a long-time agriculture instructor at Wharton County Junior College. Proceeds from the endowment are used to fund a scholarship for a deserving agriculture student.

The **Glendavid Scholarship** is awarded to Fort Bend County residents who are first-generation students, have financial need, and have demonstrated the ability to benefit from higher education. Preference is given to students of the Lamar Consolidated Independent School District. The Glendavid Scholarship has been endowed by David de Luna and Glenda W. O'Bryant de Luna.

The **T. Gordon Endowment Scholarship** was established in November 1963 by Mr. Toby Gordon, who was interested in providing financial aid to deserving students. Under the terms of the endowment, interest from \$1,000 is used annually for a scholarship. This scholarship is open to either freshman or sophomore students.

The **Harold Hansen Endowment Scholarship** was established in 1982, and the proceeds are used to assist students based upon need and ability to profit from a college education.

The **Chester Harris Endowment Scholarship** was established in 1983, and the proceeds are used to assist students based upon need and ability to profit from a college education.

The **Anna Harrison Endowment Fund** has been endowed by donations from Dental Hygiene alumni in honor of Anna T. Harrison. The recipient must be a Dental Hygiene student and will be selected by the Dental Hygiene faculty according to financial need.

The **W.C. Hastings Family Scholarship** was endowed by Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Hastings and their sons, Robert C. and William L. Hastings. Income from the fund provides three scholarships annually to qualified students in vocational nursing, pre-pharmacy, associate degree nursing, or other health-related fields.

The **Charles Hermansen Memorial Scholarship** was established in January 1985, and the proceeds are used to assist students who are graduates of El Campo High School based upon need and ability to profit from a college education. The scholarship is awarded by El Campo High School.

The **Mary Jo Hlavinka Scholarship** was established in 1991 and is awarded to a music major who has completed the freshman curriculum at Wharton County Junior College. The scholarship is based on talent, attitude, extent of participation in college concerts, and grade-point average.

The **M.G. and Lillie A. Johnson Scholarship Fund** was established in 1988 by the trustees of the M. G. and Lillie A. Johnson Foundation of Wharton. The proceeds of this permanent endowment are used each year to provide scholarship support to students enrolled in medically related programs at the college. Applications are made to the Director of Financial Aid, and scholarship recipients are named by the WCJC Scholarship Committee.

The **Harris and Eliza Kempner Scholarship** was established in 1988, and the proceeds are used to assist students based upon need and ability to profit from a college education.

The **Minnie Koons Endowment Scholarship** was established in 1985, and the proceeds are used to assist students based upon need and ability to profit from a college education.

The **Julius LaDieu Industrial Trades Scholarship** was established in 1988 by Lucy LaDieu and friends, and the proceeds are used to assist students in the industrial trades based upon need and ability to profit from a college education.

The **Donald Paul Losack Endowed Scholarship** and the **Martha V. Losack Endowed Scholarship** was established in 2006, by Donald Losack to honor his mother. The proceeds are used to assist students whose families reside in areas served by Wharton County Junior College.

The **Lucy Macha LaDieu Endowed Scholarship for Women in Business Vocations** was established to assist women who reside in the WCJC taxing district, who desire a career in a business-related discipline, who need additional financial assistance, and who desire to earn the Associate of Applied Science degree.

The **Linnie Leroux Endowment Scholarship Fund** was established in April 1983 with \$5,000 (with interest earned) bequeathed to the College for the purpose of providing scholarships to needy individuals seeking to enter Wharton County Junior College.

The **Wilma Mason Memorial Scholarship** was endowed by Mr. E. O. Mason and friends in memory of his wife and their esteemed friend, Mrs. Wilma Mason, to provide scholarship assistance to students in a nursing program.

The **William R. McAllister Memorial Scholarship** was established in December 1993 in memory of Dr. William R. McAllister by his many friends, students, and family. Dr. McAllister was a respected scholar in his field of study and admired by all who knew him. The income from this endowment is used to assist students based upon need and scholastic ability.

The **Will Northington Meriwether permanently Endowed Scholarship** was provided by his wife of more than 30 years, Ednamaye Reese Meriwether, upon his death in 1968. He was a lifelong resident and rancher in the Egypt community. He was an ardent supporter of FFA, giving generously to youth activities and was supportive of many educational activities. Over time, he provided numerous private scholarships to WCJC. Proceeds from this scholarship may be awarded by the WCJC Financial Aid Department to Wharton County residents east of the Colorado River and north of U.S. Highway 59. Students awarded this scholarship must make Satisfactory Academic Progress in a degree program.

The **Waldo E. Moeller Endowment Scholarship** was established through the generosity of the Waldo E. Moeller Foundation and is awarded to WCJC students with need.

The **Irving Moore, Jr. Memorial Scholarship** was established in 1998 by the Trustees of the M. G. and Lillie A. Johnson Foundation. This endowment is used each year to provide scholarship support to students enrolled in allied health or pre-allied health programs at WCJC.

The **Wharton County Junior College Music Major Scholarship** can be awarded to any student who auditions successfully for the Wharton County Junior College Pioneer Band and enrolls in the College as a full-time music major. The scholarship is awarded to a student that shows exceptional potential musically and academically.

The **Jessie L. Myatt and Minnie Mae Myatt Endowment Fund** is an endowment of \$50,000 which was given to the College in February 1983. The interest earned from the cash contribution is used to aid deserving students who reside within the Wharton County Junior College District and who have attained a 2.0 or higher GPA or is used to purchase instructional program equipment. The specific disposition of the fund is determined by a committee appointed by Minnie Mae Myatt.

The **Frances A. Nelson Scholarship** was established in December 1987, and the proceeds are used to assist students based upon need and ability to profit from a college education.

The **Ney/Arnold Memorial Scholarship** was established in 2003 by Kenneth and Betsy Arnold Cates in honor of her parents, Samuel E. "Hank" Arnold and Kitty Belle Ney Arnold. It is available to Eagle Lake residents who are Rice High School graduates.

The **George H. Northington, Sr. Scholarship** was established in 1961 in memory of one of Wharton County's pioneer settlers – George H. Northington, Sr., of Egypt, Texas. A gift of \$4,000 was given anonymously by "one who benefited from Mr. Northington's help and encouragement." Income from the gift is used to pay tuition and fees for as many male students as possible that reside in Wharton and Colorado counties.

The **Jerald W. and Anne K. Obenhaus Endowment Scholarship** was established in 1982 in memory of Jerald W. and Anne K. Obenhaus of Bonus, Texas, by family members. This scholarship is available to high-school graduates on the basis of need and scholastic ability to profit from a college education. Recipients must reside in Wharton or Colorado counties. Application should be made to the Obenhaus Scholarship Fund, Box 433, East Bernard, Texas 77435.

The **Carol Wied Webb O'Bryant Memorial Endowment** was established by her son, Christopher Webb, and husband, Julian O'Bryant, to honor her memory. Carol was born and raised in Bay City in very modest circumstances. Through hard work and dedication, she found employment and a 37-year career at a large multinational company. Her education at Wharton County Junior College was the stepping stone to that job. Carol asked her family to establish this scholarship so that others could have the same opportunities she did.

The **Ty Pate Memorial Endowed Scholarship** was established in 2011 by his friends and colleagues to honor Ty Pate. Dr. Pate was a former student of WCJC and longtime faculty member and administrator that possessed a great love for education and its students and faculty.

The **J. R. Peace Endowment Scholarship** was established in December 1966. Earnings from the endowment fund are used for a scholarship in the amount of \$50 per semester for a sophomore student in a vocational/technical program.

The **Lawrence J. Petersen Endowed Scholarship** was established in memory of Lawrence J. Petersen who was a third generation cotton farmer in Danevang, Texas, who also served many years on the Board of Trustees of Wharton County Junior College.

The **Phillips-Hartmann Scholarship** was established in 1993 and is used to assist a graduate of Lamar Consolidated ISD based upon need, scholastic standing, and the ability to profit from a college education.

The endowment for the **Sister Mary Alma Pilarski Nursing Scholarship** was given to Wharton County Junior College in the memory of this exemplary and inspiring nursing educator and leader by her grand-niece, Carol M. Ashton M.D., M.P.H of Blessing, Texas. It is hoped that the scholarship, given to support second-year students in the WCJC Associate Degree Nursing Program, will encourage recipients to serve the health care needs of rural communities and/or to launch a career in nursing education.

The **Frankie/Pickett Scholarship** was established by donations from former members and friends of Wharton County Junior College's athletic programs under coaches Johnnie Frankie and Tom Pickett. The income from this endowment is used to provide scholarships to members of Wharton County Junior College's athletic programs.

The **Miriam Russ Powell Scholarship** was established by her family in her memory. Mrs. Powell was a dedicated teacher with the Wharton Independent School District and taught continuing education courses at Wharton County Junior College. The amount of the scholarship is \$1000 per year. Recipients are selected by the WCJC Scholarship Committee.

The **Frank C. Prochaska Memorial Scholarship** has been endowed by the Frank C. Prochaska Family and Friends in memory of Frank C. Prochaska who was an Instructor of Economics at WCJC for 36 years. Because of Mr. Prochaska's dedication to the field of education, this fund will provide one scholarship annually to students who graduate from Wharton or Boling High School who will benefit from the financial assistance while pursuing an education.

The **Betty and Lowell Raun Endowment Scholarship** was established in January 1988, and the proceeds are used to assist students based upon need and ability to profit from a college education.

The **Mary Ann Rider Roades Memorial Scholarship** has been endowed by her husband of 54 years, Edgar Roades. Mary Ann graduated from Boling High School in 1947, and enrolled at Wharton County Junior College. There she met Edgar Roades a graduate of El Campo High School. Mary Ann was an outstanding student and became a member of the newly organized Zeta Xi Chapter of the Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society of WCJC in February, 1948. Not only was Mary Ann an outstanding student, she was an outstanding person who was always full of love for her God, family, and friends. A compassionate and generous person she was always available to aid anyone who needed her. Income from this endowment will provide assistance annually to at least one graduate from Boling High School and at least one graduate from El Campo High School.

The **C. H. "Ham" Rugeley Nursing Fund** was established by donations of \$4,000 in 1982. The interest earned is used to provide assistance for a nursing major (LVN or ADN) showing financial need and scholastic ability. Other conditions apply.

The **Lloyd Rust Memorial Endowment Scholarship** was established in 2014 by the Trustees of the M.G. and Lillie A. Johnson Foundation to recognize his service on the Board of Trustees of the Johnson Foundation. The proceeds of this permanent endowment are used each year to provide scholarship support to students enrolled in allied health or pre-allied health programs at WCJC.

The **J. Daniel Schuhmann Endowment Scholarship** was established in 1988, and the proceeds are used to assist students based upon need and ability to profit from a college education.

The **Louise Parry Sealock Scholarship** was established in 2000 to provide scholarships for second-year students pursuing studies in mathematics, physical science, engineering, or computer science.

The **Betty and Lloyd Shoppa Scholarship** has been endowed by the family and friends of Betty and Lloyd Shoppa. Income from this endowment will provide assistance annually to at least one full-time student from the areas served by Wharton County Junior College.

The **Maner Stafford Endowment Scholarship** was first awarded as a scholarship in the fall of 1969 by Mr. and Mrs. Maner Stafford of Wharton. In 1979, the scholarship was altered to become a permanent endowment, establishing regular income to be used for scholarships. Selection of recipients is made each year by the WCJC Scholarship Committee.

The **Guy F. Stovall, Sr. Memorial Scholarship** awards two scholarships that were established by Mrs. Guy F. Stovall, Sr., and Mr. Guy F. Stovall, Jr. in memory of Mr. Guy F. Stovall, Sr. The amount of each scholarship is \$300 per year. Need and ability to profit from a college education are the bases upon which the awards are made.

The **Florence M. Trull Memorial Scholarship Fund** was endowed by The Trull Foundation of Palacios and by Robert B. Trull, Margaret S. Trull, Jean Trull Herlin, Gladys Trull Brooking, and Laura Trull Shiflett to honor their mother, Florence Margaret Roberson Trull. Mrs. Trull was born in Kingman, Kansas, on August 7, 1888. After graduating from Washburn College in Topeka, Kansas, she married B. W. Trull and moved to Texas. They lived first in Midfield, then in Palacios on the Texas Gulf Coast. The Trulls were active in banking, farming, real estate, and mineral interests. Mr. Trull died in 1957; and Mrs. Trull passed away on December 13, 1984, after a short illness. Always a compassionate and generous person, Mrs. Trull, together with her children, established The Trull Foundation in 1967 for religious, charitable, and educational purposes.

The **Joe Mike Valenta and Becky Valenta Rolf Endowment Scholarship Fund** was established in January 1977 in memory of Joe Mike Valenta. Income from the endowment is used to provide assistance to at least two students annually from the Boling Independent School District. Recipients are selected by the WCJC Scholarship Committee.

The **Jordyn Kaylee Walther Memorial Scholarship** was established in 2018 in memory of Jordyn, by her loving family and friends. Jordyn was a former student at WCJC and was majoring in education. The income from this endowment is used to provide financial assistance to a college student majoring in education.

The **Clinton Phillip White Memorial Scholarship** has been endowed by his wife of 54 years, Wanda White. Clinton graduated from Boling High School in 1948 excelling in all sports activities and winning a scholarship to play football at Wharton County Junior College. It was at WCJC that Clinton met his future wife. Clinton was a football star and Wanda was a twirler at WCJC. Clinton was a dedicated employee of Texas Gulf Sulfur for 40 years. Clinton taught himself to play the trumpet and won a music scholarship to Sam Houston State University where he was spotlighted in their spirit that was loved by everyone. There were no limits to his interests in our world and his ability to express that compassion to all of those lucky enough to have been around him. Income from this endowment will provide assistance annually to graduates from Boling High School and from Wharton High School.

The **Nancy Stephens Woodson Memorial Endowment Scholarship** was established by the family of Nancy Stephens Woodson in 1998 and is awarded to one or more theatre students each year. Recipients are chosen by a committee from the WCJC Speech and Drama Department.

The **Valedictorian Scholarship** is offered to the highest-ranking graduate of every fully accredited high school in Texas by the Wharton County Junior College Board of Trustees. A tuition exemption for each semester of the freshman year will be offered. The superintendent or principal of the high school must certify the name of the honor graduate to the Texas Education Agency. Application is not necessary.

The **Wharton Business and Professional Women's Club Fund** was established in 1997. The proceeds of this permanent endowment are used to provide a scholarship to students in financial need and with educational potential.

The **Wharton County Junior College Alumni Association Scholarship** was established by the Wharton County Junior College Alumni Association in 1993. It provides annual scholarship assistance in the amount of \$600.00 to students who will benefit from a college education. Selection of scholarship recipient(s) is made by the Wharton County Junior College Alumni Association Scholarship Awards Committee.

appointed by the Association's Board of Directors. Award of scholarship assistance is made without regard for race, color, creed, sex, or disability. Applicants must use an Alumni Scholarship Form that may be obtained in the Office of Financial Aid or the Alumni Office, both located on the Wharton campus.

The **Wharton County Junior College Alumni Association Memorial and Honorarium Scholarships** were established in 1998 in recognition of people who have helped the college's alumni to achieve their goals. Scholarships are awarded by the Alumni Scholarship Committee. Scholarships are awarded based on grades, financial need, and area of interest. Applicants must use an Alumni Scholarship Form that may be obtained in the Office of Financial Aid or the Alumni Office, both located on the Wharton Campus.

The **Wharton County Junior College Board of Trustees Scholarships** are made available to outstanding students in the fields of music, athletics, drama, and art. These scholarships are awarded through competitive examinations and/or auditions. Arrangements should be made through the heads of WCJC's Athletic Director or the Chair of the Communications and Fine Arts Division. All financial aid and other scholarships must be applied to tuition, fees, housing and food before Board of Trustees scholarship money is applied.

The **Wharton County Junior College Board of Trustees High Honor Scholarship** was established by the Board of Trustees in December 1973. A High-Honor tuition and fee scholarship is awarded to high-school graduates who rank in the top five percent of their graduating class.

- Tuition and fee scholarships are awarded to full-time freshman students entering Wharton County Junior College who graduated from a public high school within the college service area (approximately 55-mile radius of the college). Weimar and Industrial High Schools are outside this radius but are considered within the Wharton County Junior College service area. Final decisions regarding fringe-area schools are determined by the Financial Aid Committee.
- All financial aid and other scholarships must be applied to tuition, fees, housing and food before Board of Trustees scholarship money is applied.
- Students must maintain a minimum of 3.0 grade-point average to retain the scholarship for the second semester.

The **Wharton County Junior College Booster Club Scholarships** were established in 1974. The awards are made each year to residents of the Wharton County Junior College District and are based on need and educational potential.

The **W.W. Wendtland Scholarship** in Music has been endowed by Dr. William W. Wendtland and his mother, Mrs. Lillie W. Wendtland to encourage and support the study of music at Wharton County Junior College. Dr. Wendtland was band director for the College from fall 1968 through spring 1978 and was an inspiration to all who participated in his music program. The permanent endowment provides annual scholarship assistance to students of music and is awarded by the WCJC Scholarship Committee. Recipients may receive this scholarship for a maximum of four consecutive semesters provided they remain in good academic standing.