

## **New Auburn High School Phillip H. Ehrhard Family Scholarship**

**Background:** This scholarship is given in honor of the Phillip H. Ehrhard family. Phillip H. Ehrhard (1887-1958) and Clara Gettinger Ehrhard (1895-1979) were lifelong residents of New Auburn, Wisconsin. Mr. Ehrhard worked for the O&N Lumber Company and was on the New Auburn School District Board of Education for 32 consecutive years. He served as treasurer for all those years. For many years, Clara Ehrhard worked at the main office desk of the Farmer Store. Their children, Lorraine (31), Charles "Chuck" (36), Philip "Tick" (40), and Wayne "Nuts" (44) graduated from New Auburn High School as did their daughters-in-law, Tick's wife, Martha Stelzel (40) and Chuck's wife, Jean Fankhauser (41). Four of their grandchildren—Donna (61), and Christine (65) Ehrhard and William "Bill" and Alma "Jean" Ehrhard also graduated from New Auburn High School. In addition, two of their great grandchildren—Robin (85) and Jay (89) Olds—were graduates of New Auburn High School.

**Scholarship Established in 1999 By:** Daughters of Philip "Tick" and Martha Ehrhard  
Dr. Donna D. Ehrhard Thomas  
Christine L. Ehrhard Severson Housner

**Scholarship Amount:** \$1000.00 Annually

**Scholarship Funding:** All funds from family, friends, and other financial contributors for the Phillip H. Ehrhard Family Scholarship shall be held by the Community Foundation of Chippewa County at 404 N. Bridge St. PO Box 153, Chippewa Fall, Wi. 54729. All scholarship administration and implementations shall be carried out by New Auburn High School personnel as appointed the district's Superintendent. The Phillip H. Ehrhard Family Scholarship shall be offered on an annual basis until such time as funds are depleted or the New Auburn High School ceases to exist. It should be noted that if at any time New Auburn High School ceases to exist funds remaining in the Phillip H. Ehrhard Family Scholarship account shall revert to Donna Ehrhard Thomas or Shane J. Thomas, son of Donna Ehrhard Thomas, or his heirs. If there are no heirs the remaining funds shall revert to the Community Foundation of Chippewa County.

- Scholarship Criteria:** To be considered for the Phillip H. Ehrhard Family Scholarship:
1. Be a current graduating senior in good standings at New Auburn High School and have been enrolled at the school for at least three years.
  2. Have a parent, grandparent, aunt/uncle, sibling who have graduated from New Auburn High School.
  3. Have a cumulative grade point average (GPA) of at least 2.0 or its' equivalent in the school's current grading system.
  4. Be officially accepted and planning to attend full time, a two- or four- year, degree granting, private/public university/college or technical school.
  5. Complete a school provided application form and a short-written statement outlining what he/she has gained from attending New Auburn High School, both academically and personally, and how these experiences have helped in determining career goals.

**Scholarship Recipient Selection:** The annual selection of the Phillip H. Ehrhard Family Scholarship recipient shall be made by a school determined committee, plus one Ehrhard family member, if possible, and as determined by Donna Ehrhard Thomas or Shane J. Thomas. At such time as neither of the named family members remain or do not desire involvement, selection shall be done solely by the school selected committee.

**Scholarship Recipient Payment:** Students receiving the Phillip H. Ehrhard Family Scholarship may claim financial payment after successful (2.0 GPA) completion of their first or second semester of college or technical college. Payment may be claimed up to one year after the Scholarship was awarded. Payment may be claimed by request with accompanying official grade report to the Community Foundation of Chippewa County.

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